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What is XENICAL?

XENICAL is an oral prescription weight loss medication used to help obese people lose weight and keep this weight off. XENICAL works in your intestines, where it blocks some of the fat you eat from being absorbed. This undigested fat is then eliminated in your bowel movements. XENICAL should be used together with a reduced-calorie diet that your doctor will recommend.

Excess weight has been proven to contribute to an increased risk of developing many medical problems, including high blood pressure, high cholesterol, heart disease, and diabetes. The consumption of excess fatty food and calories plays a significant role in the development of excess weight. While fat is an important component of a balanced diet, the consumption of excess fat contributes to excess body weight, since fat provides twice the number of calories per gram of weight as carbohydrates and protein. Reduction of dietary fat intake is one potential way of losing weight.

How does XENICAL work?

If you eat an excess amount of fat or calories, the excess is stored as fat by the body resulting in weight gain. When you eat fat, your body breaks it down into its simplest components so that it can be absorbed. Enzymes in your intestinal tract, called lipases, help digest (or breakdown) fat. When you take XENICAL with meals, XENICAL attaches to the lipases and blocks them from breaking down some of the fat you have eaten. The undigested fat cannot be absorbed and is eliminated in your bowel movements. By working this way, XENICAL helps block about 30% of the fat eaten in food from being absorbed by your body.

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Who should use XENICAL?

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XENICAL may be right for you if you are considerably overweight (at least 30% above ideal weight or a body mass index of 30 or greater). XENICAL may also be right for you if you are overweight (at least 20% above ideal weight or a body mass index of 27 or greater) and also have other risk factors such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol, heart disease, or diabetes.

How to determine your body mass index (BMI):

The chart below illustrates BMI according to a variety of weights and heights. The BMI is calculated by dividing your weight in kilograms by your height in meters squared. To use this chart:

- Find the height closest to your height in the left-hand column.
- Then move across the top row to find the weight closest to your weight.
- The number where these two meet is your BMI. (For example, a person who weighs 180 lbs and is 5'5" would have a BMI of 30.)

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Who should not use XENICAL?

Those who:

- consistently have problems absorbing food (chronic malabsorption); or
- have gallbladder problems; or
- are pregnant or are breastfeeding a child; or
- have ever had an allergic reaction to orlistat or any of the inactive ingredients in XENICAL.

What should I tell my doctor before taking XENICAL?

Before beginning treatment with XENICAL, make sure your doctor knows if you are:

- allergic to any medicines, foods, or dyes;
- taking any other weight loss medication;

- taking cyclosporine;
- taking any other medicines (including those not prescribed by your doctor);
- taking any dietary supplements, including herbal products;
- planning to become pregnant; or
- anorexic or bulimic.

This information will help you and your physician decide if the expected advantages of XENICAL are greater than any possible disadvantages.

How should I take XENICAL?

The recommended dose is one 120 mg capsule by mouth with liquid at each main meal that contains fat. You can take XENICAL in conjunction with a mildly reduced-calorie diet up to 3 times a day. Each time you take XENICAL, your meal should contain no more than about 30% of calories from fat. Take XENICAL during meals or up to one hour after a meal. If you occasionally miss a meal or have a meal without fat, you can omit your dose of XENICAL. Doses greater than 120 mg three times a day have not been shown to provide an additional weight loss benefit.

You should use XENICAL together with a nutritionally balanced, mildly reduced-calorie diet that contains no more than about 30% of calories from fat. You should evenly divide your daily intake of fat, carbohydrates, and protein over 3 main meals.

You should try to follow a healthy eating plan such as the one developed by the American Heart Association. Following this eating plan will help you lose weight while decreasing some of the possible gastrointestinal effects you may experience while taking XENICAL.

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1500	50
1600	53
1800	60
2000	67

Should I take a multivitamin with XENICAL?

XENICAL interferes with your body's absorption of some fat-soluble vitamins. Therefore, when you use XENICAL, you should take a daily multivitamin supplement that contains vitamins D, E, K, and beta-carotene. Take your multivitamin once a day at least 2 hours before or after taking XENICAL, such as at bedtime.

Can I take XENICAL while taking other medications?

Be sure to discuss with your doctor all medications (including herbal products) you are currently taking, including medicines you can get without a prescription (over-the-counter), to determine if XENICAL can be taken in addition to these medications.

How long should I use XENICAL?

The use of XENICAL for more than 2 years has not been studied. You and your doctor should discuss how long you should use XENICAL.

What are the most common side effects of XENICAL?

Because XENICAL works by blocking the absorption of dietary fat, it is likely that you will experience some changes in bowel habits. These generally occur during the first weeks of treatment; however, they may continue throughout your use of XENICAL. These changes may include oily spotting, gas with discharge, urgent need to go to the bathroom, oily or fatty stools, an oily discharge, increased number of bowel movements, and inability to control bowel movements. Due to the presence of undigested fat, the oil seen in a bowel movement may be clear or have a coloration such as orange or brown.

These bowel changes are a natural effect of blocking the fat from being absorbed and indicate that XENICAL is working. They generally occur early in treatment, particularly after meals containing higher amounts of fat than are recommended. These symptoms are often temporary and may lessen or disappear as you continue treatment and keep to your recommended diet of meals containing no more than about 30% fat. However, these side effects may occur in some individuals over a period of 6 months or longer.

If you are concerned about these or any other side effects you experience while taking XENICAL, talk to your doctor or pharmacist.

What lifestyle changes should I consider when taking XENICAL?

You must use XENICAL with a recommended mildly reduced-calorie diet. You should also follow a program of regular physical activity, such as walking. However, before you undertake any activity or exercise program, be sure to speak with your doctor or health care professional.

How can I reduce dietary fat?

To help you get started on reducing the fat in your diet to around 30%, read the labels on all the foods you buy. You should avoid foods that contain more than 30% fat while you are taking XENICAL.

- When eating meat, poultry or fish, limit your portion to 2 or 3 ounces (roughly the size of a deck of cards). Choose lean cuts of meat and remove the skin from poultry. Fill up your meal plate by including more grains, fruits, and vegetables.
- Replace whole-milk products with nonfat or 1% milk and nonfat, reduced-fat, or low-fat dairy items.
- Cook with less fat. Use vegetable oil spray when cooking. Salad dressings, many baked items, and prepackaged, processed, and fast foods are usually high in fat. Use the low- or non-fat versions and/or cut back on serving sizes.
- When dining out, ask how foods are prepared and request that they be prepared with little or no added fat.



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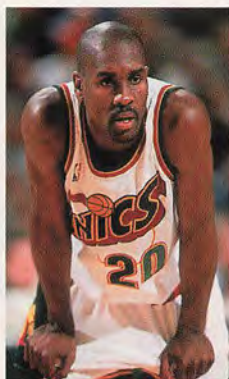
# Location, Location, Location

**M**AYBE DEFENDERS searching for a way to keep Pete Maravich from scoring should have confused him with the simplest of questions: Where are you from? The Pistol was born in Pennsylvania but moved with his family to South Carolina at age eight. Following his sophomore year in high school, he was uprooted again, this time to North Carolina. After two years there he moved to Louisiana, the state where he morphed into a household name as a three-time All-America guard at LSU.

Maravich's gypsy existence is an example of the potholes we encountered in putting together this issue's centennial list of the 50 greatest sports figures from each state. The package, which includes a different cover for each state, begins on page 68 and presents a look at the top 50 athletes, coaches and other sportsmen and -women from your neck of the woods. On the pages that follow is a rundown of the teams from all the states, plus SI's ranking of the states, from No. 1 (California) to No. 50 (Delaware). Canadian readers are getting the Top 50 from their country, plus the lists from all the states.

The project, one of the largest SI has ever undertaken, began last summer when correspondents and reporters, with the help of staffers at halls of fame and local experts, began identifying candidates for each state. The arduous task of sifting

**We had to omit California's Payton (right) but not the relatively unknown Dunkley of Delaware.**



through nominees, producing the lists and writing short descriptions of the 2,550 sports figures mentioned fell to the geographically diverse trio of staff writer Jeff Pearlman (a native of New York) and writer-reporters Mark Bechtel (Alabama) and Stephen Cannella (Connecticut). "I'm starting to think that Manifest Destiny idea wasn't such a good one," says Bechtel. "Fifty is a lot of states."

We decided to place an athlete in the state where he emerged as a sports figure—usually, where he grew up and went to high school—and not necessarily in the state of his birth or the one in which he gained national recognition. Thus the Pistol, after much debate, landed in South Carolina.

At least we knew he belonged somewhere. More frustrating were the difficult choices forced on us by the disproportionate number of leading athletes from certain states. For example, we had to leave out many Californians who would have made the Top 10 almost anywhere else—among them five-time NBA All-Star Gary Payton and two of the newest inductees into baseball's Hall of Fame, George Brett and Robin Yount. Conversely, relative unknowns like Spencer Dunkley, a gangly center at Delaware from 1989 to '93, and Bob Prince, a Southern Maine outfielder who helped lead the Huskies to the '91 NCAA Division III title, made the lists for sports-strapped Delaware and Maine, respectively. "The funny thing is that Dunkley wasn't even the best player on that team," says Delaware alumnus Pearlman, "but he was the best one from Delaware."

As the saying goes, the three most important factors in anyone's presence on a list turned out to be *location, location, location*. We hope you enjoy our look at the sports heroes from the location most important to you: home.

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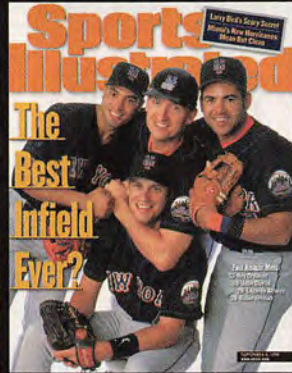
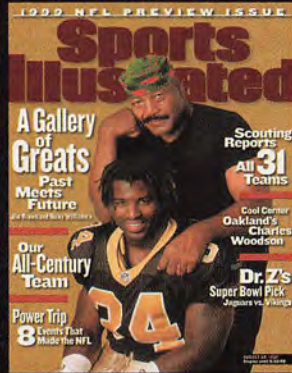
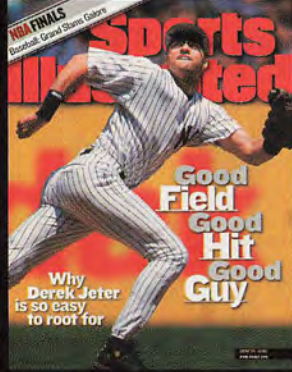
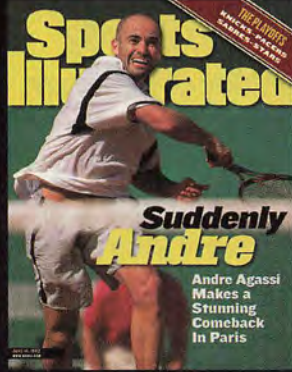
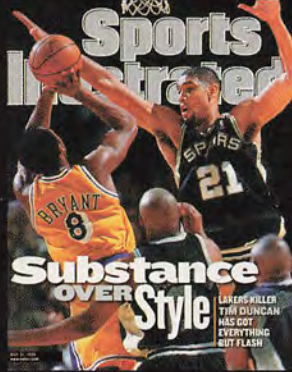
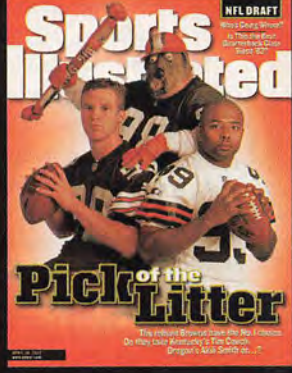
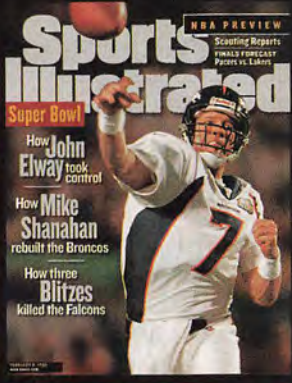
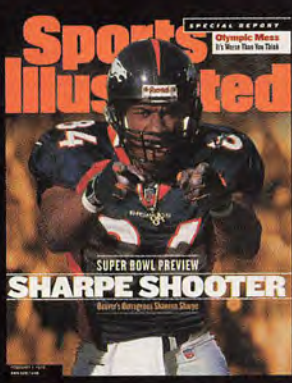
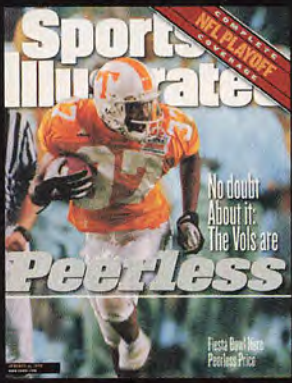
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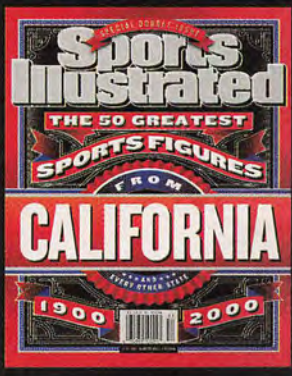
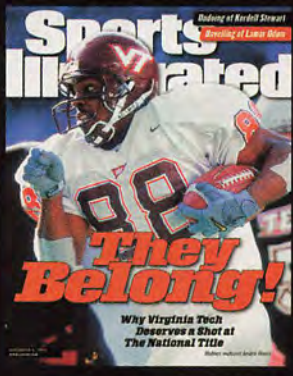
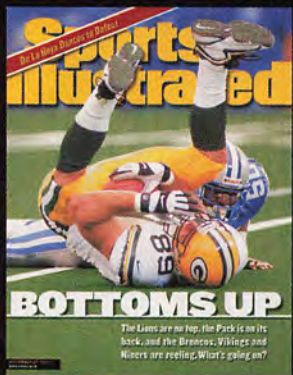
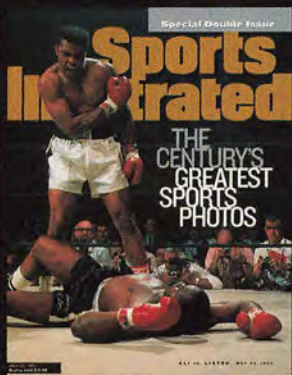
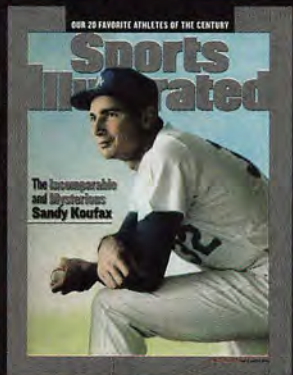
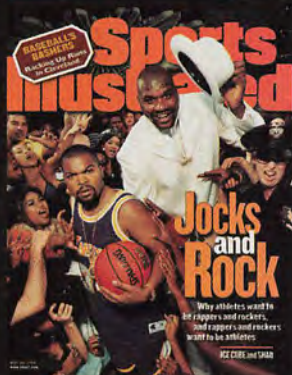
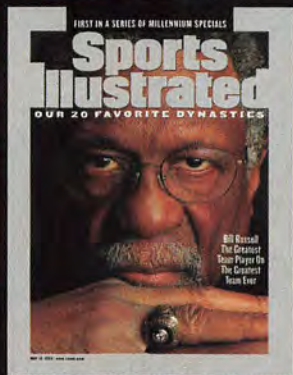
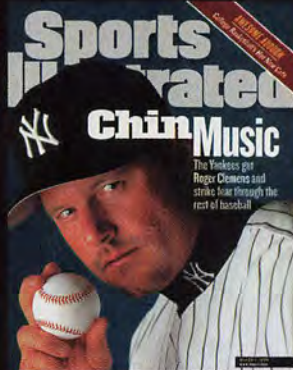




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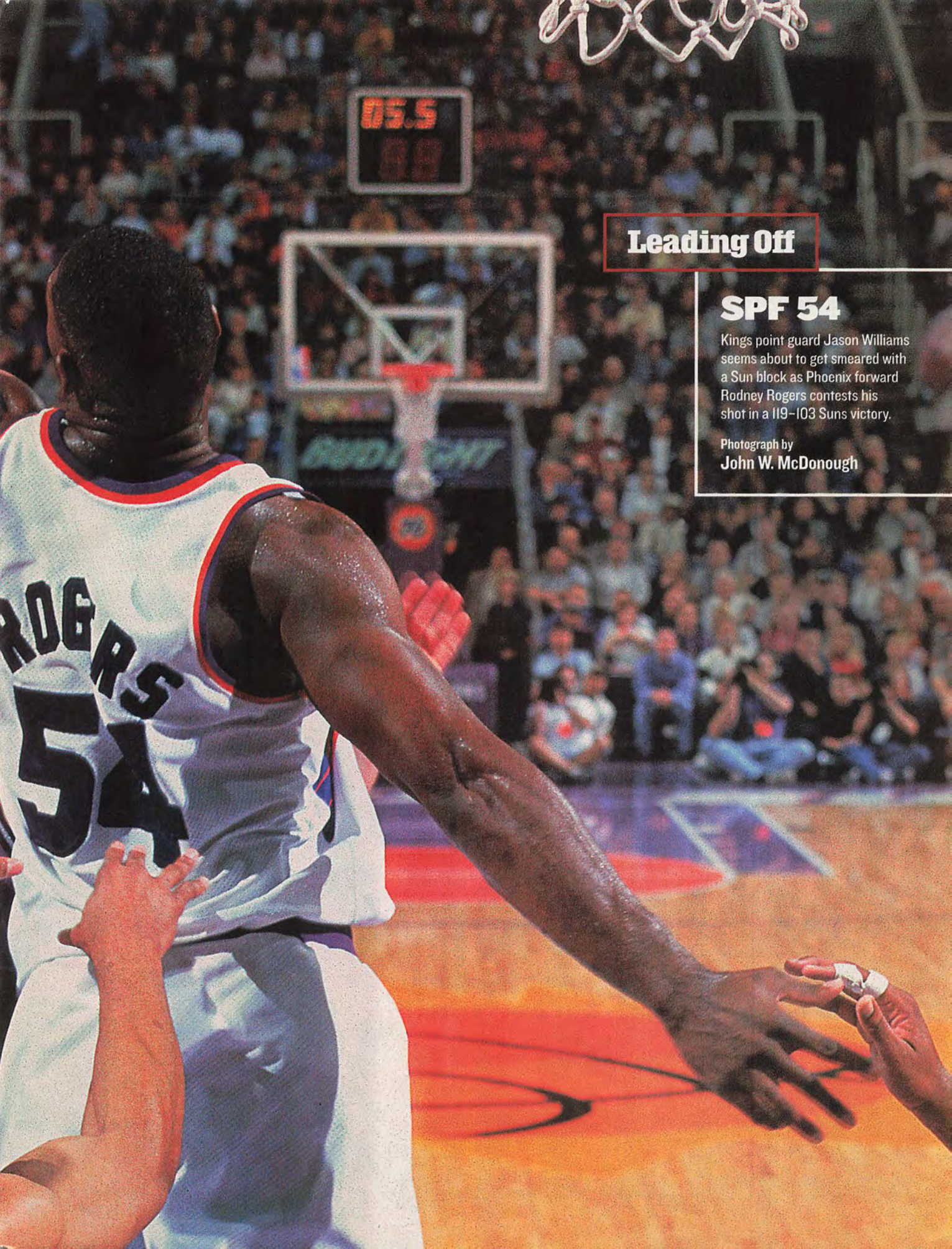












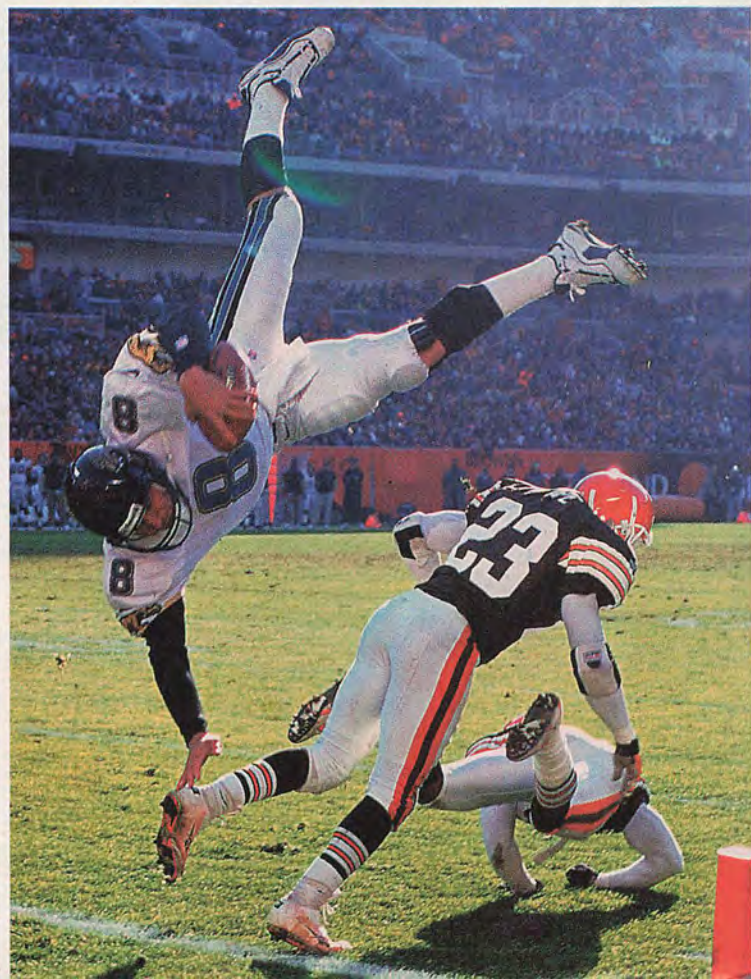
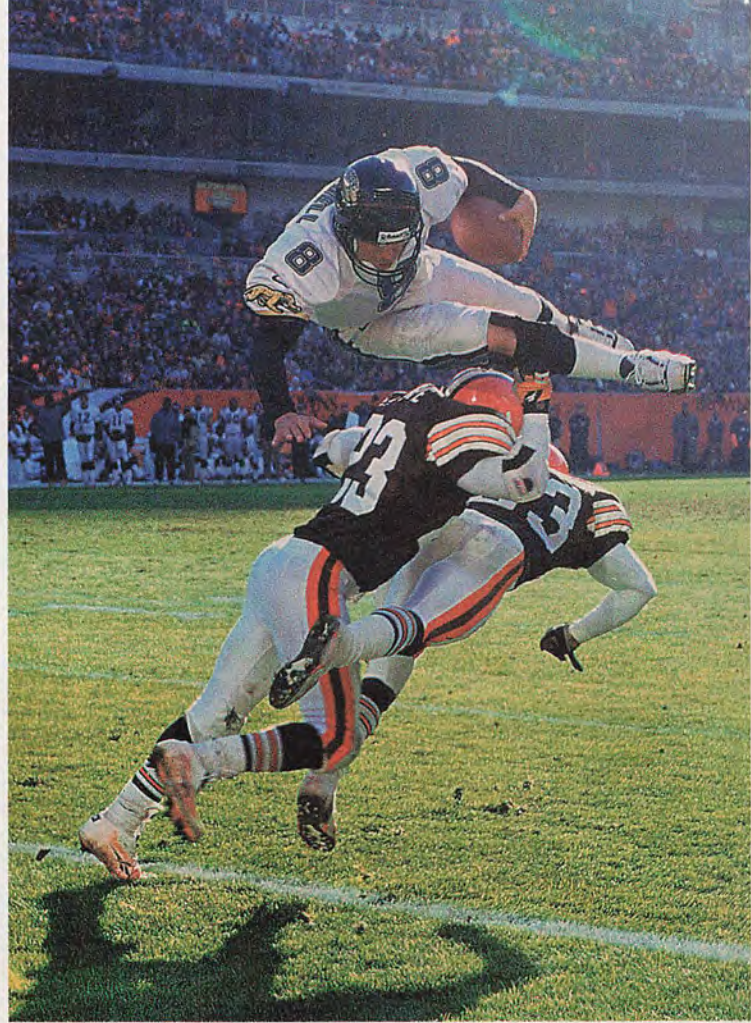
## Leading Off

### SPF 54

Kings point guard Jason Williams seems about to get smeared with a Sun block as Phoenix forward Rodney Rogers contests his shot in a 119-103 Suns victory.

Photograph by  
John W. McDonough









## Leading Off

### Holiday Markup

Browns defenders Marquez Pope (23) and Daylon McCutcheon weren't able to prevent Jaguars quarterback Mark Brunell from getting to the end zone in Jacksonville's 24-14 win on Sunday, but they did make him pay for the pleasure.

Photographs by John Biever



*Suzuki presents Heisman Heroes*

# Backbreaking Buckeyes

NOBODY WHO CAN TELL A FOOTBALL FROM A footrest would dare compare the running styles of Archie Griffin and Eddie George, the most recent of Ohio State's five Heisman Trophy winners.

Griffin, the only two-time recipient, earned the award in 1974 and '75 as a shifty 5'9", 180-pound dervish with a unique ability to pinball off tacklers and then jet down the field. George, however, was the quintessential power back. At 6'3", 227 pounds, he steamrolled defenses on his way to the 1995 Heisman.

But the disparity between the two ends when you think of the values they share.

Griffin established a code of hard work, dignity and personality as a Buckeye.

"He set the standard for what it is to be an Ohio State football player, on and off the field," says George. And George took that standard to heart 20 years later. "Not that anyone had to tell him to," says Griffin. "That's who he was. That was Eddie George."

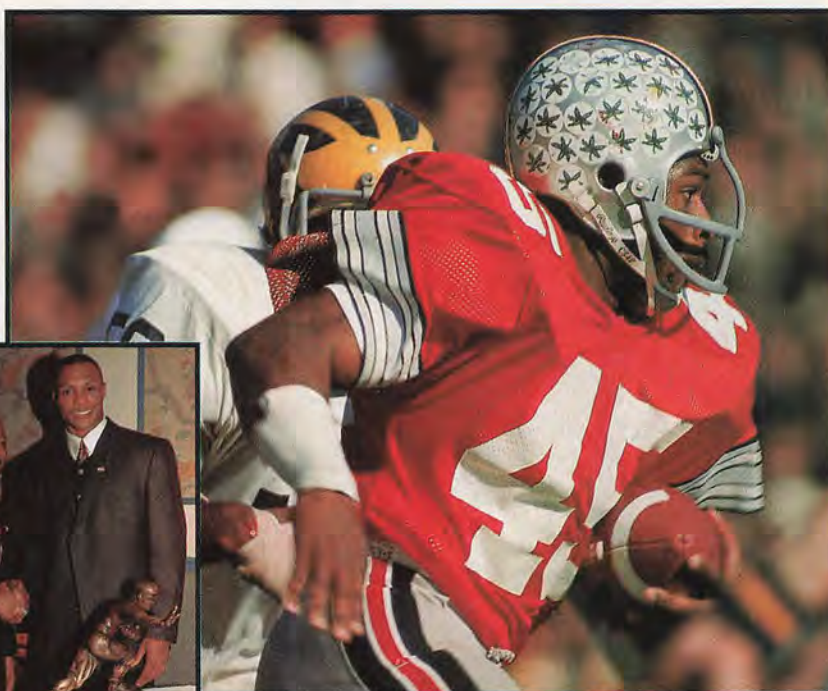
Griffin's star launched in the second game of his freshman year. The night before the Buckeyes took on North Carolina, Griffin took out his Bible and read from Matthew: "Knock and the door shall be opened." Griffin knocked, running for a then-school-record 239 yards, and the door was opened by legendary Ohio State coach Woody Hayes. For the rest of his career, Griffin would be the feature attraction in Hayes's run-happy offense.

In 1973, Griffin became the first sophomore to earn Big Ten MVP honors, setting the conference single-season rushing record with 1,577 yards. He would do that one better in 1974, becoming just the fifth junior to win the Heisman after gaining 1,620 yards on the ground. "I didn't think I would get it," Griffin says. "I was ecstatic."

The Columbus native was a hometown hero. When he returned for his senior season, Ohio Stadium tailgaters were festooning their cars with THANK YOU, MRS. GRIFFIN bumper stickers. And he wasn't close to being finished.

His second Heisman might as well have been a lifetime achievement award. By season's end, Griffin had set NCAA career records for rushing yards (5,177), yards per carry (6.13), 100-yard games (33) and consecutive 100-yard games (an amazing 31 straight from his sophomore year to his penultimate game as a senior, a record that still stands). And he did all of this while earning his degree a quarter early and preaching the value of his three Ds—Desire, Dedication and Determination—to Columbus schools.

After an eight-year NFL career, Griffin returned to Ohio State, where he is now an associate athletic director overseeing 17 varsity sports. Football is one of those 17, and he goes to every game. "I still get fired up," says Griffin, whose age



*Buckeye legend Griffin dashed to two Heismans, then beamed when George won his 20 years later.*

now matches the number 45 he made famous, "but thank goodness I don't have to take those hits anymore."

Griffin's position in the athletic department gave him a behind-the-scenes look at George's 1995 Heisman run. "I saw how hard he worked, how dedicated he was and how good a person he was," says Griffin.

Coming off a junior season in which he had about as quiet a campaign as you can have while running for 1,442 yards, George was a Heisman long shot at best the following fall. But in the Buckeyes' second game he announced his nomination with 212 yards against Washington. When George rocked Notre Dame for 207 yards two weeks later, Heisman whispers began. And when he broke the school single-game rushing record with 314 yards against Illinois in November, the whispers became shouts.

When he was a kid, George says, he would stand in front of a mirror and practice his Heisman Trophy acceptance speech. Thanks to a season that ended with an Ohio State-record 1,927 rushing yards and 24 touchdowns, the rehearsals proved useful. "I accomplished something I had set my eye on when I was eight years old," says George, now a Pro Bowl back for the Tennessee Titans and the 1996 NFL rookie of the year. "I was blessed and fortunate to win."

After they called George's name at the Downtown Athletic Club, a moist-eyed Griffin gave him a congratulatory hug. "I was so happy," Griffin says. "He was a perfect choice."—Brad Young

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**Maybe now people will stop mentioning Peyton Manning and Ryan Leaf in the same sentence. Lord knows, neither of them deserves it.**

**—Dave Sabaini, Terre Haute, Ind.**

## Peyton's Place

Great job putting Peyton Manning on your cover and writing about his lifestyle and dining habits (*Thoroughbred*, Nov. 22). It's obvious to this fellow Tennessee alumnus that Manning did not take home economics while earning his degree in speech communications, with honors, in just three years. He probably focused on geography, geometry, transportation and strategic planning, based on the skills he displays in leading the Colts on the field.

Gary Mann, Farmington, Conn.

While many may find Manning's lack of common sense and clumsiness endearing, I find it rather disturbing. This is a man who holds a degree from an institution of higher learning and does not know how to use a can opener or plug in cable television. I am not certain who should be more ashamed: his parents, for failing to teach him the basic skills of self-reliance, or the University of Tennessee, for teaching him little else than football.

Jeff Hanten, Arlington, Va.

Who cares that Peyton Manning does not know how to open a can of soup? He knows what it takes to find Marvin Harrison in the end zone and to win.

Deron K. Manwaring, Warsaw, Ind.

I find it very curious that the person who is over-seeing Manning's progress was not mentioned once. He's coach Jim Mora, and he has done a heck of a

job in turning Indianapolis from an also-ran into a first-place team.

Jack Rankin, La Canada, Calif.

## Slippery Subject

*Discounted* (Nov. 22) is a brilliant rubric for the Peter Warrick escapade. The clothes were deeply discounted, his career was deeply discounted, his sentence was conveniently discounted, and Florida State's institutional integrity is permanently discounted.

Chuck Yoos, Durango, Colo.

Between Warrick's mother, minister stepfather, high school coaches and college coaches, he has been well schooled in how to become an outstanding football player. He now has a child out of wedlock and a criminal record. Too bad none of those people took the time to teach him right from wrong.

Terry Griner, Spokane

## Our Faithful Readers

When someone on your wonderful *Athletes of the Century* television show said that SI began publishing 45 years ago [the premier issue was Aug. 16, 1954], my husband and I couldn't believe it. He is a charter subscriber and has never missed an issue. Do you know how many of your charter subscribers still get the magazine?

Jeanne R. Shank, Sun Lakes, Ariz.

• SI had 381,458 charter subscribers, of whom 10,621 are still receiving the magazine.—ED.

## Young and Gifted

How could a list of the top 10 freshmen not include Pitt wide receiver Antonio Bryant (*INSIDE COLLEGE FOOTBALL*, Nov. 22)? Bryant caught 51 passes for 844 yards, and his six touchdowns were more than those of any of the three receivers you mentioned.

David Heidish, Pittsburgh

Auburn's Ronney Daniels had more yards (1,068), more touchdowns (nine) and a higher average (19.1 yards per catch) than any of the receivers you listed.

John McKay, Fort Morgan, Colo.

After an injury to Vernon Banks, linebacker Clifton Smith of Syracuse was thrust into a starting role on a highly ranked defense. Smith had 61 tackles, including 34 unassisted and three for a loss. He also had one sack.

Matt Kelly, East Freedom, Pa.

Saleem Rasheed, a freshman outside linebacker, started every game for Alabama, led the Crimson Tide in tackles, had one of 'Bama's two blocked kicks and was moved to middle linebacker because of injuries to other players.

Walter G. Berry Jr., Birmingham

## Missing Skipper

Your Nov. 15 issue's The Hot Corner named five future managers who played for the 1972 Dodgers (*INSIDE BASEBALL*). Unfortunately, you left off one of the best shortstops ever, Maury Wills, whose '72 season was his last as a player. He went on to manage the Seattle Mariners for parts of '80 and '81.

Randy Keyes, Mission Viejo, Calif.

BOB ROSATO



## Fabulous Freshman

**YOU OMITTED Cedric Cobbs of Arkansas, who ran for 107 yards on 15 carries against Tennessee, the first back to gain more than 100 yards against the Volunteers in 15 games. He also was second in the SEC in yards per carry (5.8) and averaged 27.3 yards on 12 kickoff returns. Cobbs has tremendous speed, great size and a never-say-die attitude.**

Lane Stafford, Little Rock

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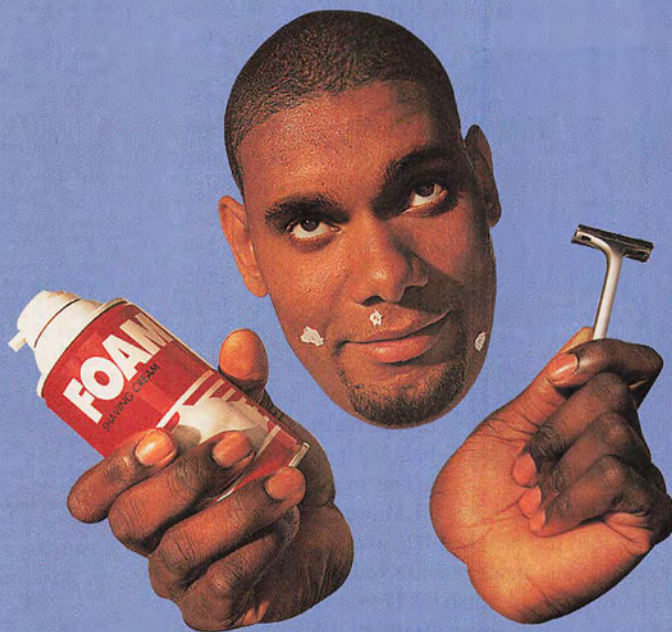
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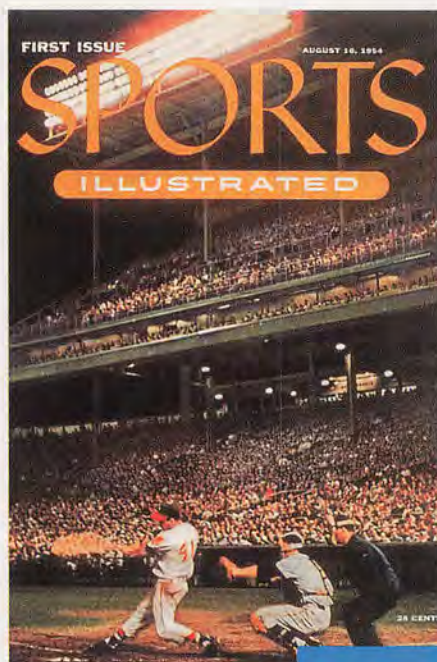
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# Eddie Mathews, Braves Hall of Famer

August 16, 1954



"When it was taken," says Mathews of the cover photo, "I didn't think of it as anything special."



MARK KAUTZMAN (COVER); ROBERT BECK

**M**UCH LIKE the fledgling magazine that featured him on its first cover, Eddie Mathews was, in the summer of 1954, young, unpolished and swinging for the fences. The season before, his second in the majors, the lefthanded-hitting Mathews had slugged a National League-high 47 home runs and driven in 135 runs for the newly relocated (from Boston) Milwaukee Braves. At 22 he was being called the next Babe Ruth. "It's funny," remembers Mathews, now retired and living with his wife, Judy, in a seaside suburb of San Diego. "When that picture was taken, I didn't think of it—or myself—as anything special. SPORTS ILLUSTRATED and me, we were *nuthins*."

Mathews, born in Texarkana, Texas, and raised in Santa Barbara, Calif., modeled his swing not after Ruth's but after Ted Williams's. "I would practice in the yard for hours," says Mathews, "with my mother pitching and my father shagging." He was all-state in baseball and football, and at 12:01 a.m. on the day after his 1949 graduation from Santa Barbara High he signed with the Braves for \$6,000. He later told SI that he had studied to be a ballplayer, not "a doctor, a lawyer or an Indian chief."

The only Brave to play for the team when it was based in Boston, Milwaukee and Atlanta, the 6' 1" Mathews, who was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1978, and teammate Hank Aaron hit 863 home runs while they were playing together—a record for major league duos. The Milwaukee Mauler, as he was known, would finish his 17-year career with 512 home runs, a .271 average and a reputation as a clutch defensive player. His backhanded stab of a Bill Skowron scorcher for the final out of the 1957 World Series against the Yankees, which Milwaukee won in seven games, was, says Mathews, "my proudest moment."

There have been low points, and not just the final day of 1966 when, seven home runs from 500, Mathews was traded to the Houston Astros. (He completed his career in '68 as a pinch hitter for the world champion Detroit Tigers.) He has survived a pelvis-shattering boating accident and a bout with throat cancer. "I walk like a crab and talk like a frog," says Mathews, 68, who managed Atlanta from '72 to '74 and worked for 15 years as a scout and batting instructor. Day-tripping in the family RV—he has three children and eight grandkids—growing his own vegetables and suffering the hometown Padres now fill his days. "But I work out three times a week," he says, "and I'm fighting like hell to feel good again."

Brave words, from an original.

—Kelley King

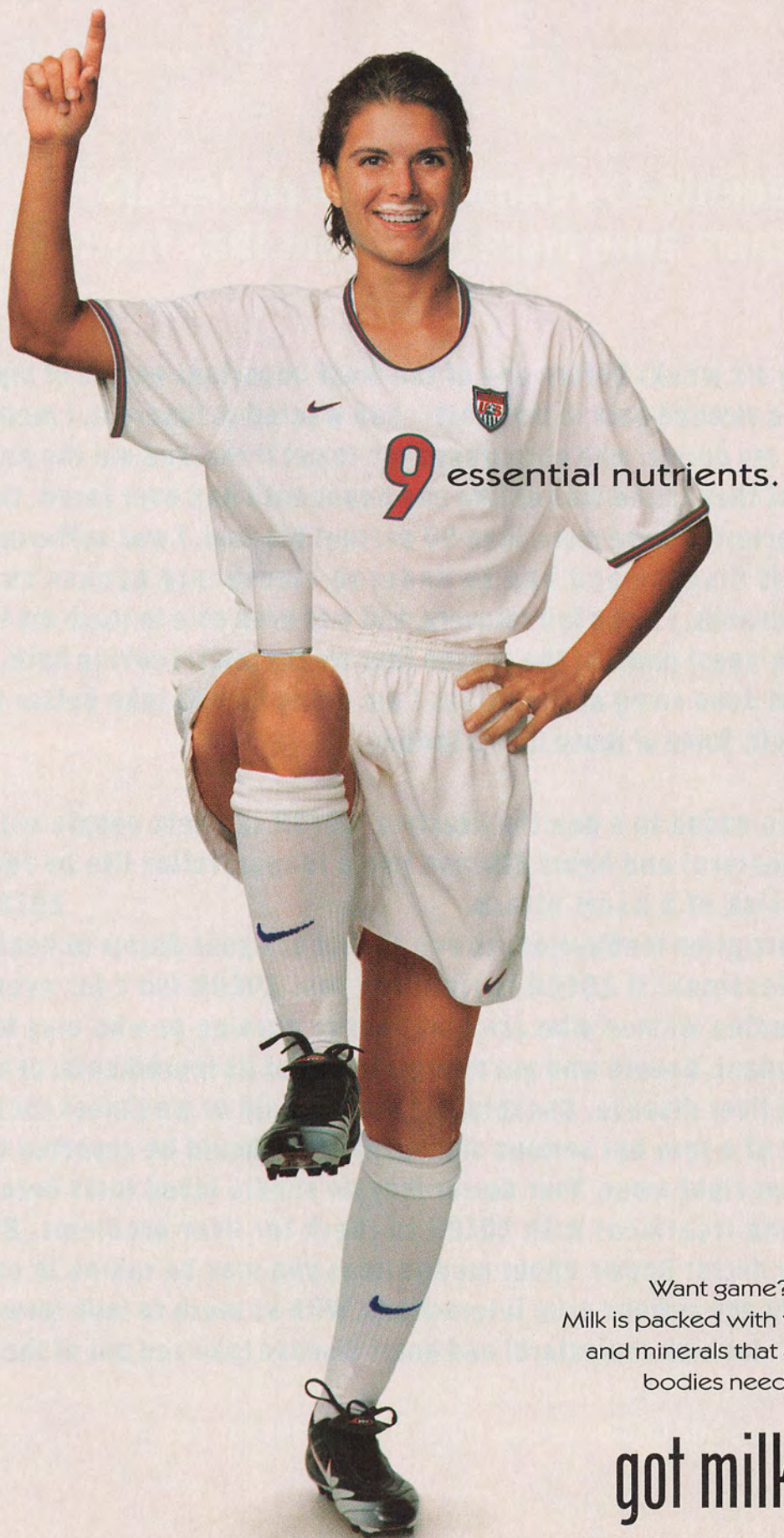
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## WARNINGS

**Muscle:** Tell your doctor right away if you experience any unexplained muscle pain, tenderness, or weakness at any time during treatment with ZOCOR so your doctor can decide if ZOCOR should be stopped. Some patients may have muscle pain or weakness while taking ZOCOR. Rarely, this can include muscle breakdown resulting in kidney damage. The risk of muscle breakdown is greater in patients taking certain other drugs along with ZOCOR, such as the lipid-lowering drug Lipid (gemfibrozil), and other fibrates; lipid-lowering doses of niacin (nicotinic acid); Sandimmune (cyclosporine); itraconazole, ketoconazole, and other azole antifungal drugs; the antibiotics erythromycin and clarithromycin; HIV protease inhibitors; and the antidepressant nefazodone. Interruption of therapy with ZOCOR should be considered if you are going to take an azole antifungal medication, such as itraconazole, or macrolide antibiotics, such as erythromycin. Patients using ZOCOR along with any of these other drugs should be carefully monitored by their physician. The risk of muscle breakdown is greater in patients with kidney problems or diabetes.

Because there are risks in combining therapy with ZOCOR with the drugs listed above, your doctor should carefully weigh the potential benefits and risks. He or she should also carefully monitor patients for any muscle pain, tenderness, or weakness, particularly during the initial months of therapy and if the dose of either drug is increased. Your doctor also may monitor the level of certain muscle enzymes in your body, but there is no assurance that such monitoring will prevent the occurrence of severe muscle disease.

If you have conditions that can increase your risk of muscle breakdown, which in turn can cause kidney damage, your doctor should temporarily withhold or stop ZOCOR. Also, since there are no known adverse consequences of briefly stopping therapy with ZOCOR, treatment should be stopped a few days before elective major surgery and when any major acute medical or surgical condition occurs. Discuss this with your doctor, who can explain these conditions to you.

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Your doctor should perform routine blood tests to check these enzymes before you start treatment with ZOCOR and periodically thereafter (for example, semiannually) for your first year of treatment or until 1 year after your last elevation in dose. Patients titrated to the 80-mg dose should receive an additional test at 3 months. If your enzyme levels increase, your doctor should order more frequent tests. If your liver enzyme levels remain unusually high, your doctor should discontinue your medication.

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**Drug Interactions:** Because of possible serious drug interactions, it is important to tell your doctor what other drugs you are taking, including those obtained without a prescription.

ZOCOR can interact with cyclosporine (Sandimmune), itraconazole, ketoconazole, Lipid, niacin, erythromycin, clarithromycin, HIV protease inhibitors, and nefazodone. (See WARNINGS, Muscle.)

Some patients taking lipid-lowering agents similar to ZOCOR and coumarin anticoagulants (a type of blood thinner) have experienced bleeding and/or increased blood clotting time. Patients taking these medicines should have their blood tested before starting therapy with ZOCOR and should continue to be monitored.

**Central Nervous System Toxicity; Cancer, Mutations, Impairment of Fertility:** Like most prescription drugs, ZOCOR was required to be tested on animals before it was marketed for human use. Often these tests were designed to achieve higher drug concentrations than humans achieve at recommended dosing. In some tests, the animals had damage to the nerves in the central nervous system. In studies of mice with high doses of ZOCOR, the likelihood of certain types of cancerous tumors increased. No evidence of mutations or damage to genetic material has been seen. In one study with ZOCOR, there was decreased fertility in male rats.

**Pregnancy:** Pregnant women should not take ZOCOR because it may harm the fetus.

Safety in pregnancy has not been established. In studies with lipid-lowering agents similar to ZOCOR, there have been rare reports of birth defects of the skeleton and digestive system. Therefore, women of childbearing age should not take ZOCOR unless it is highly unlikely they will become pregnant. If a woman does become pregnant while taking ZOCOR, she should stop taking the drug and talk to her doctor at once. The active ingredient of ZOCOR did not cause birth defects in rats at 3 times the human dose or in rabbits at 3 times the human dose.

**Nursing Mothers:** Drugs taken by nursing mothers may be present in their breast milk. Because of the potential for serious adverse reactions in nursing infants, a woman taking ZOCOR should not breast-feed. (See WHEN ZOCOR SHOULD NOT BE USED.)

**Pediatric Use:** ZOCOR is not recommended for children or patients under 20 years of age.

## SIDE EFFECTS

Most patients tolerate treatment with ZOCOR well; however, like all prescription drugs, ZOCOR can cause side effects, and some of them can be serious. Side effects that do occur are usually mild and short-lived. Only your doctor can weigh the risks versus the benefits of any prescription drug. In clinical studies with ZOCOR, less than 1.5% of patients dropped out of the studies because of side effects. In a large, long-term study, patients taking ZOCOR experienced similar side effects to those patients taking placebo (sugar pills). Some of the side effects that have been reported with ZOCOR or related drugs are listed below. This list is not complete. Be sure to ask your doctor about side effects before taking ZOCOR and to discuss any side effects that occur.

**Digestive System:** Constipation, diarrhea, upset stomach, gas, heartburn, stomach pain/cramps, anorexia, loss of appetite, nausea, inflammation of the pancreas, hepatitis, jaundice, fatty changes in the liver, and rarely, severe liver damage and failure, cirrhosis, and liver cancer.

**Muscle, Skeletal:** Muscle cramps, aches, pain, and weakness; joint pain; muscle breakdown.

**Nervous System:** Dizziness, headache, insomnia, tingling, memory loss, damage to nerves causing weakness and/or loss of sensation and/or abnormal sensations, anxiety, depression, tremor, loss of balance, psychic disturbances.

**Skin:** Rash, itching, hair loss, dryness, nodules, discoloration.

**Eye/Senses:** Blurred vision, altered taste sensation, progression of cataracts, eye muscle weakness.

**Hypersensitivity (Allergic) Reactions:** On rare occasions, a wide variety of symptoms have been reported to occur either alone or together in groups (referred to as a syndrome) that appeared to be based on allergic-type reactions, which may rarely be fatal. These have included one or more of the following: a severe generalized reaction that may include shortness of breath, wheezing, digestive symptoms, and low blood pressure and even shock; an allergic reaction with swelling of the face, lips, tongue and/or throat with difficulty swallowing or breathing; symptoms mimicking lupus (a disorder in which a person's immune system may attack parts of his or her own body); severe muscle and blood vessel inflammation; bruises; various disorders of blood cells (that could result in anemia, infection, or blood clotting problems) or abnormal blood tests; inflamed or painful joints; hives; fatigue and weakness; sensitivity to sunlight; fever, chills; flushing; difficulty breathing; and severe skin disorders that vary from rash to a serious burn-like shedding of skin all over the body, including mucous membranes such as the lining of the mouth.

**Other:** Loss of sexual desire, breast enlargement, impotence.

**Laboratory Tests:** Liver function test abnormalities including elevated alkaline phosphatase and bilirubin; thyroid function abnormalities.

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### Highlights

#### SATURDAY 12/25

##### ► Spurs at Lakers

**NBC 9:30 PM** No sooner does Charles Schulz announce his retirement ("Auuggghh!") than the NBA stages *A Chucky Brown Christmas*. Will San Antonio's starting small forward discover that the true meaning of the holiday resides not in which one of these Western Conference powers is victorious but rather in goodwill toward men?

#### SUNDAY 12/26

##### ► SportsCentury Athlete of the Century

**ABC 5 PM** And the winner is... Justin Gimelstob!!! Uh, no. At press time ESPN was keeping secret the order of the final four—Muhammad Ali, Jim Brown, Michael Jordan and Babe Ruth—of its 50 Athletes of the Century. Today's honoree deserves to be named Athlete of All Time, unless someone has a 20-mile time for ancient Greek marathoner Pheidippides that can persuade us otherwise. All 50 profiles from this memorable series will be replayed on ESPN2 starting on Thursday (7:30 p.m.) and continuing on New Year's Eve (1 a.m. to 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. to midnight).

#### SATURDAY 1/1

##### ► Williams World Challenge

**NBC 4 PM** Feeling hip and popular: Davis Love III, 35, who joins in-crowd swingers Sergio Garcia, 19, Justin Leonard, 27, and Tiger Woods, 24, today in the third round of this new 12-man event (the fourth and final round takes place on Sunday on NBC at 2 p.m.) that spans two centuries from the Grayhawk Golf Club in Scottsdale, Ariz. Feeling left out: Scottsdale resident Phil Mickelson, 29, who now has time to attend that New Year's Eve Judds reunion concert at America West Arena.

#### MONDAY 1/3

##### ► Bud Greenspan's Kings of the Ring

**SHOWTIME 10:05 PM** "There are rare moments," says *New Yorker* editor and Muhammad Ali biographer David Remnick in this captivating 96-minute film, "when sports and politics intersect." Noted Olympics chronicler Greenspan scores a knockout by exploring such intersections in the careers of four heavyweight champions—Jack Johnson, Jack Dempsey, Joe Louis and Ali. When Johnson, avatar of African-American dominance in sports, died in an auto accident in 1946, one journalist said that he "died crossing the white line for the last time." Decades later Louis would be buried in Arlington National Cemetery as a hero, and still later Ali would light the torch at the Atlanta Olympics.



## Don't Miss

#### TUESDAY 1/4

##### ► Florida State vs. Virginia Tech

**ABC 8 PM** In the year 2000... Conan: "Dick Van Dyke will turn abruptly toward the camera and say, 'I'm a doctor, by gum, why do I keep diagnosing murder? Especially for that last young man, whose only symptoms were itching and burning.'" In the year 2000... Andy: "The Hokies, armed with a freshman quarterback and a linebacker named Engelberger—each a second-team All-America—will contend for the national title." In tonight's Sugar Bowl (page 50), the Seminoles, with offensive missile Peter Warrick, take their third shot at the national title in four seasons, while upstart Virginia Tech will try to ride Michael Vick, tailback Shyrone Stith (above) and an underdog's inspiration.

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### the zapper

Enduring TV images of the 1990s. **Best shots under pressure:** Michael Jordan (take your pick), Justin Leonard ('99 Ryder Cup), Christian Laettner ('90 NCAA East final), Brandi Chastain ('99 Women's World Cup), Mark McGwire (homer number 62 in '98), John Paxson and Steve Kerr ('93 and '97 NBA Finals, respectively), David Gordon (Boston College placekicker who beat Notre Dame in '95) and baseball postseason powerhouse Jim Leyritz. **Worst shots under pressure:** Scott Norwood (Super Bowl XXV) and Jean Van de Velde ('99 British Open). **Best entries for a time capsule:** '97 Bulls versus Jazz, Game 5 (Jordan flu game) and Tiger Woods's '97 Masters win.







## WEBWORDS

**"No, not a chance."**

—Lakers guard **KOBE BRYANT**, responding to the question, "Would your dad [Joe (Jelly Bean) Bryant] in his prime have been able to stop you?" on CNN.com last Friday

## Why Sean Is Gone

THE PAST few weeks have not been kind to CBS play-by-play announcer Sean McDonough. On Oct. 25 his agent, Robert Fraley, was killed in the plane crash that also took the life of Payne Stewart. On Dec. 7 McDonough's boss, CBS Sports president Sean Manus, informed him that his \$600,000-per-year contract, which had expired one week earlier, would not be renewed. McDonough, known to his peers as a loyal soldier, will finish his 10-year tour of duty, not to mention the century, by broadcasting the Sun Bowl (Minnesota versus Oregon) from El Paso on New Year's Eve. Should auld acquaintance be forgot, indeed.

"Sean [McManus] kept using the word *terrific* to describe me," says McDonough of the conversation during which he was handed his walking papers. "He seems troubled by having to let me go, but not any more than I am."

McDonough's exodus coincides with CBS's imminent hiring of Dick Enberg from NBC. Enberg, who will become CBS's new No. 2 NFL play-by-play man, isn't directly replacing McDonough, whose specialty is college football. However, Enberg's salary, which has been reported to be in the \$2 million range, was a factor in CBS's decision to unburden itself of McDonough's salary. "The reason I was given is that they had a chance to hire Dick Enberg," says McDonough, 37.

**CBS "thought I was kind of a nondescript guy," says the lame-duck McDonough, "and maybe I am."**

"I equated it to a game of musical chairs. My four-year contract, which expired on December 1, was the next one up." (Through a spokeswoman, McManus declined to comment on McDonough's departure.)

McManus has cleaned house at CBS—goodbye, Andrea Joyce, Pat O'Brien, Tim Ryan and Michele Tafoya—in favor either of young up-and-comers, such as Bonnie Bernstein and Phil Simms, or legends, such as Verne Lundquist and now Enberg. Apparently, McDonough fails to fit either of

those molds. "They thought I was kind of a nondescript guy," says McDonough, "and maybe I am. But my feeling is that people want to tune in to watch the game. I was never trying to be a TV star."

For the past dozen years McDonough has done TV play-by-play for the Boston Red Sox. His status in that position, too, is muddled be-

cause the Sox recently switched from JCS New England Television Network to Fox 25. "I've gotten a phone call or two, but nothing serious in the way of job offers," says McDonough, who recently signed with a new agent, IMG. "I'll worry about that after the holidays."

McDonough is a Jim McKay type trying to exist in a Terry Bradshaw world. Ample room exists for both. If anyone should understand that, McManus should. His dad is Jim McKay.

—John Walters

## GRANDMA THE G.M.

By wielding the axe, a 77-year-old from Alabama has become a fantasy football phenom

MARTHARE MAXWELL, a grandmother of six, has never attended an NFL game. She watches no preview shows and, because of failing eyesight, does not read the sports pages. Maxwell is 77, lives in the tiny south-

eastern Alabama town of Ozark (pop. 12,922), and when she hears "log on," thinks first of tending the hearth.

However, Maxwell loves playing fantasy football. With the help of her oldest son, Syd Voiles,

she entered a nationwide Internet league operated by Small World ([www.smallworld.com](http://www.smallworld.com)), a fantasy sports site. With two weeks remaining in the season, her team, the Holdouts, is in 22nd place—out of nearly 350,000 entrants. "You can't be sentimental about your players," says Maxwell. "If a player isn't performing, you've got to let him go." A while back, she recalls, "we dropped Mushin

Muhammad and picked up Cris Carter. He scored a few touchdowns the week we acquired him."

Among distaff football owners, Maxwell may be having just as good a season as Georgia Frontiere, pooh-bah of the real St. Louis Rams. "Oh, I don't know about that," she says. "Then again, there are a lot fewer teams in the NFL than in my league."

—J.W.



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OLIVER STONE'S new football film is called *Any Given Sunday*, though a better title might have been *Sacking Private Ryan*. For it looks like war and even opens with the athletic equivalent of Steven Spielberg's storming-of-Normandy gore-gasm: The audience sees, in a span of minutes, one player projectile-vomiting, another coughing up blood, and a third enduring a cataclysmic episode on the toilet. The NFL prudently declined to lend its name and logos to the man responsible for *Natural Born Killers*, but that hardly proves a hindrance. Because the film is unofficial, it is freed to be orificial. So, for instance, linebacker Luther Lavay (Lawrence Taylor) stands over a sacked quarterback, lifts a leg and pretends to use him as a dog would a fire hydrant. Given the pharmaceutical potency of Taylor's urine over the years, this is surely the most menacing scene in *Sunday*.

At first glance the director of *The Doors* has given us an NFL on acid. Or rather, on the Vicodin, Benzedrine and Demerol that every player in the film seems to be juiced up on. "We need to turn up the volume!" screams Miami Sharks quarterback Cap Rooney (Dennis Quaid), demanding a higher drug dosage to dull the pain of a ruptured disk. The film's fictional football league, likewise, aspires to be a louder version of the NFL. From the grotesquerie of team uniforms to the depravity of team owners, no turn goes un-Stoned. The results are often more satisfying than real life—the NFL on acid beats the *NFL on Fox*.

But as the film goes on (and on), it really does become difficult to tell the difference. One peripheral character, for instance, is indistinguishable from Fox sports talk show host Jim Rome. From his name—Jack Rose—to his goatee to his T-shirt-and-suit-coat ensemble, the character (played by John C. McGinley) transparently is Rome, as when he says to a

black athlete on his show, "Your smack is so fresh! Give me a pound!" then desperately proffers his knuckles for a fist bump. Instantly, the audience knows that Rose/Rome will get what's coming to him.

The fall of Rome, the name Jack Rose (Jack and Rose were the tragic heroes of *Titanic*): Look too closely and you'll see all kinds of apocalyptic signposts in *Sunday*. Which is as it should be. The film opens a week after one NFL player was found

hiding in the trunk of a friend's car after being charged with the murder of his pregnant girlfriend and after another was arrested for burglarizing his neighbor's home while sidelined with a broken leg. As the odometer clicks over to 2000, real life is becoming impossible to trump, and the best Stone can strive for is the occasional tie: Thus the Fort Lauderdale home of Rooney is the real-life estate of Dan Marino.

More often, though, reality wins in a blowout. One of Stone's end zone dances, in which a player pretends to throw a hand grenade, looks innocent compared to the NFL's throat slash. Indeed, the real-life Jim Rome got his comeuppance when Jim Everett attacked him on the air.

That's the difficulty in making a sports movie: One evening's *SportsCenter* is bound to contain more absurdities than any month of *Sundays*. Malcolm Muggeridge, editor of the British satirical magazine *Punch*, observed 40 years ago that the 20th century was an age beyond satire. "There is nothing you can imagine, no matter how ludicrous, that will not promptly be enacted before your very eyes," he said, "probably by someone well-known."

It's astonishing, really, what Stone has done with his *Sunday*, bloody *Sunday*: The director of *Platoon*, the man who wrote *Scarface*, the perpetrator of *Natural Born Killers* has created a violent, graphic, scatological league. And still it's a sanitized version of the venal real thing. □

# Apocalypse Sunday

For absurdity and senseless violence, the reel Oliver Stone can't match the real NFL





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# Scorecard

## Future Schlock

The new century will have perfect endings and empty stands

HAS THERE ever before been a century like this one, a century of such unparalleled progress? We've seen the development of antibiotics, of night baseball, of talk radio. True, flying cars never quite worked out; the two-way wristwatch radio was a tougher nut to crack than we thought it would be; and nobody's going to Mars (well, certainly not coming back; it's the Hotel California of our solar system) anytime soon. But everything else has panned out big. Two words: microwave popcorn.

We can only imagine the astonishing progress in store for us as we embark upon the 21st century. It's impossible to predict every little breakthrough (a hundred years ago, we'd never have envisioned painless dentistry, the designated hitter or Thighmaster), but we're expert enough (in sports, not so much medicine) to forecast that Vince McMahon's WWF will become the umbrella organization that regulates all major league sports (except for boxing, which will continue to be guided by good sense alone), and outcomes will be scripted to provide total fan satisfaction (read: fireworks, near-naked women on every sideline, no 8-8 playoff teams ever and especially no Yankees championships). Focus groups will be employed to better divine national sentiment and develop popular themes (and higher ratings). In that way the Cubs will win the World Series.

Just as there are heroes and villains in pro wrestling, there will be good cities and bad cities in big league sports. Who knows, you might live in a bad city right now!

Going to the game, which has long been the big bugaboo (where you gonna park that flying car, mister?), will no longer be required. We'll have interactive "stadium seats" right in our living rooms, close to the microwave popcorn and a clean rest room. Every man will have a luxury suite. He'll razz the refs on his wristwatch radio. That's pretty much how it's going to be in the next century, when our games become even more reliable and convenient fun for everybody (18 and older). It's safe to say that if we can only get to Mars and back, this will be the best century yet!

—Richard Hoffer

## REBOUND

And he's back! Oh, what a move! Canned in 1997 after he pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor assault charge, **Marv Albert** will return as NBC's No. 1 man on NBA telecasts next season, a glorious redemption made possible when Bob Costas gracefully stepped aside. Yes!



# Go Figure

**10**

Days that Wisconsin coach Barry Alvarez's son, Chad, will spend in jail for nuking a parrot.

**300**

Wheelchair spots to be added to Yankee Stadium's 44 to settle a suit brought by four disabled fans.

**100**

Rank of the Famous Chicken on *The Sporting News's* list of the century's most powerful figures.

**100**

Rank of Pete Rose-baiter Jim Gray on another *TSN* list, of the year's most powerful.

**\$400,000**

Award given a couple who sued a Colorado golf course after their house was hit by 1,000 balls a year.



# Risky Business

Jimmy Johnson loses a gamble on two troubled Dolphins rookies

**F**OR THE Miami Dolphins, whose guiding philosophy is, *If you're not in leg irons, we have a spot for you*, it was business as usual last week.

Running back Cecil Collins was suspended indefinitely after being arrested on Dec. 16 and charged with burglary. Davie, Fla., police say Collins, 23, climbed through a window in the ground-floor apartment of a neighbor, Tina Nolte, at 5 a.m. He entered her bedroom, where she was sleeping with her husband, Ronald. Confronted by Ronald, Collins ran back to the



**Down and out** Collins has been felled by his wee-hours wandering.

window and dived through head-first. Collins's lawyer disputes the allegations. Collins has a history of harassing women, which was one reason that he fell to the fifth round in the 1999 draft. But it wasn't reason enough for Miami not to take him.

The day after Collins's arrest the Dolphins released another troubled rookie, defensive end Dimitrius Underwood, who ear-

lier in the week had gone over the fence at a suburban Miami mental-health center. Underwood was drafted in the first round by the Minnesota Vikings but was released after he walked out of training camp on Aug. 2. That sent up flags around the league, but not in Miami, where Jimmy Johnson claimed him on waivers. On Sept. 26 Underwood was found on a Lansing, Mich., street

bleeding from a self-inflicted neck wound.

Collins and Underwood are only the most recent bad boys accepted into J.J.'s halfway house. Current players Robert Baker, Tony Martin and Lamar Thomas have all been in trouble with the law. And there is, of course, Johnson's dalliance with serial badass Lawrence Phillips, who was picked up in December 1997, one month after being waived by the St. Louis Rams. Johnson said, "Here, he'll have to be responsible for himself." After being arrested and charged with first-degree misdemeanor battery for striking a woman in a nightclub in '98, Phillips was released by the Dolphins. He pleaded no contest and was sentenced to six months' probation.

Underwood is reportedly with his family in Philadelphia. At week's end Collins was in a Broward County jail awaiting a bail hearing. No stranger to the legal process, Collins was arrested twice in 1998 while attending LSU, both times on charges of breaking into a woman's apartment. He pleaded guilty to two misdemeanor counts of simple battery and two felony counts of unauthorized entry and was put on four years' probation. Yet, the Dolphins drafted him in the fifth round in '99.

Collins told his agent, Jimmy

## Blotter

### Xposed

► Doug Henderson, a New York City court worker and former personal assistant to Jimmy Connors, was charged with stealing Malcolm X's bloodstained, bullet-riddled diary and selling it to a collector for \$5,000.

### Headed

► The 2002 Women's World Cup, to a date two months before the men's Cup; the women were to have played four months after the men.

### Retired

► Inventive San Diego Chargers equipment manager Sid Brooks,

after a 27-year career in which he devised formfitting shoulder pads for linemen and three-color numbers for football jerseys.

### Outdone

► Legendary courtroom orator William Jennings Bryan, by lawyer Bill Diehl, who in defending Charlotte Hornets owner George Shinn against charges that Shinn had sexually assaulted a woman, argued that

the alleged oral sex was consensual, saying, "If she ain't bitin', she ain't fightin'."

### Missed

► By a 25-pound bomb that fell from an Air Force F-16, two trios of golfers on the 17th hole of an El Mirage, Ariz., course.

### Tarnished

► The Golden Dome, when the Notre Dame football program was hit with two years' NCAA probation and the loss of two scholarships after an investigation revealed that a booster named Kimberly Dunbar gave players gifts, trips and cash.







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# Remembrance of Things Past

LEST YOU think that sports began in 1900, here are a few milestones from the first 900 years of the millennium.

**1201**

Saint Bernardine asks parishioners in Siena, Italy, to substitute fistfights for knife duels

**1299**

Southampton Bowling Club formed in England

**1349**

Edward III of England declares soccer to be among games that are "stupid and utterly useless" (an opinion still held by many in U.S.)

**1520**

While attending a summit between their countries, wrestling buffs Francis I of France and Henry VIII of England stage a battle royale (right)

**1570**

Henri Saint-Didier of France gives names to major fencing moves, such as coupé and prise de fer, which mostly endure to this day

**1592**

Frenchman named Forbet writes first rules for tennis

**1621**

Massachusetts governor William Bradford bans the playing of "stoole-ball," an early form of cricket, at the settlement of Plymouth on Christmas Day

**1648**

Japanese authorities ban street-corner sumo

**1668**

First documented U.S. horse race takes place on Newmarket Course near current Hempstead, N.Y.

**1719**

James Figg opens Figg's Academy for Boxing in London

**1720**

First known yacht club, The Royal Cork Yacht Club, opens, in Ireland

**1763**

Chippewa and Sauk interrupt their game of baggataway, now known as lacrosse, to attack the English at Fort Michilimackinac in Canada

**1823**

William Ellis, student at Rugby School in England, invents new sport when he picks up ball and runs with it during soccer game

**1858**

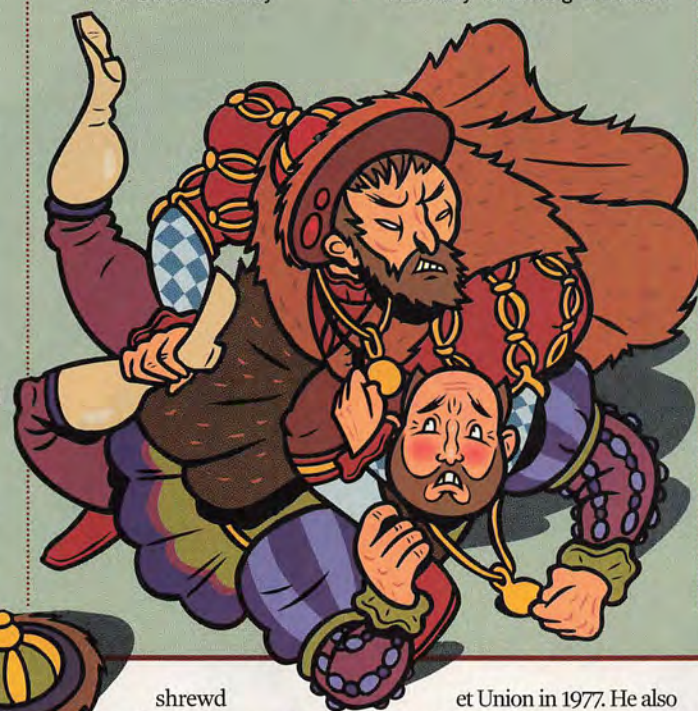
The Massachusetts Assn. of Baseball Players codifies rules of town ball in Dedham

**1877**

Horace Lee of Philadelphia becomes first American to run 100-yard dash in 10 seconds

**1894**

First filmed sporting event, a boxing match, takes place in Thomas Edison's West Orange, N.J., laboratory



Sexton, that he and Tina Nolte had a relationship and that the window was his customary mode of entry. The Noltens deny that Collins and Tina had any relationship. Collins also said last week, "I just made a mistake." So did Johnson.

## OLYMPICS

### Samaranch: Artful Dodger

IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch delivered an effective filibuster at a congressional hearing in Washington last week. Days after the IOC overwhelmingly passed 50 reforms in Lausanne, Samaranch emerged as a

shrewd politician who would not wilt under Capitol Hill pressure. The stakes were high—Congress could have lifted the IOC's tax-exempt status in the U.S. In April representatives Henry Waxman (D., Calif.) and Rick Lazio (R., N.Y.) had introduced legislation to limit revenue from U.S. television rights and sponsorship fees unless the IOC could prove it had curtailed its abuses.

Several IOC members urged Samaranch not to testify, but he has long been a sort of Teflon Juan. He deftly removed the taint of having been a functionary in the Franco regime by becoming Spain's ambassador to the Soviet

Union in 1977. He also anticipated public opinion by opening Olympic sports to professionalism after becoming president in 1980 and showed his diplomatic skills by coaxing hostile nations onto the same playing field on several occasions.

In Washington, where each subcommittee member was allotted 10 minutes to question him, Samaranch, though no less fluent in English than his interpreter, spoke in Spanish and took more than six minutes to answer the first question. When Joe Barton (R., Texas) wondered why Samaranch's "crackerjack Olympic investigators" found no wrongdoing after members of Toronto's bid committee for the 1996 Games

submitted a 32-page document in '91 outlining requests from IOC members for jewelry and cash in return for votes, Samaranch said, "This report names no names." He deflected questions about a \$12,000 trip his wife, Maria Teresa, took at the expense of Atlanta Games organizers to Savannah and Charleston, S.C., in '90 by saying, "This is a problem of the organizing committee."

Samaranch's remarks were repeatedly interrupted by panelists impatient with his obfuscation. At one point Diana DeGette (D., Colo.) fumed, "Yes or no?" Still, no action has been taken by Congress, and none is expected.

Before the IOC session in Lausanne, some Olympic observers



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# Good Grief! Sparky Hangs 'Em Up



**CHARLES SCHULZ**, who announced last week that he was retiring his comic strip *Peanuts* so he could devote himself to his battle against colon cancer, often used sports to make his daily point. In the course of the strip's 49 years, Schulz's characters played everything from hockey and football to golf and tennis; according to United Feature Syndicate, which distributes *Peanuts*, 10% of the 17,000 strips dealt with baseball.

It's not surprising that the *Peanuts* gang did so much playing around. The 77-year-old Schulz, who goes by Sparky, is an avid golfer and tennis player. Until he fell ill, Schulz, a St. Paul native,

spent most Tuesday evenings playing right wing in an over-40 hockey league at the rink he owns a block from his Santa Rosa, Calif., office. He was elected to the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame in 1993.

Through sports Charlie Brown, the round-headed kid in the zig-zag striped T-shirt who was Schulz's Everyman, experienced defeat after defeat, yet refused to be defeated himself. Lucy once gave him the following advice: "Don't let your team down by showing up." Luckily for us, neither he nor his creator—who rarely missed a day at his drawing table—took that advice. We'll miss you, Charlie Brown.

wondered if the reforms had any chance of passing with Samaranch still in power. In fact his presence ensured passage. Granted, to purge its culture of self-gratification, the IOC needs to do more than introduce term limits, ban visits to bidding cities and bring athletes into its midst. As last week's events showed, when Samaranch leaves office in July 2001, it will be easier to find a successor with superior scruples than one with a comparable mastery of politics.

—Brian Cazeneuve

## PRO FOOTBALL

### No Pat Answer On the PAT

Rutgers statistics professor Harold Sackrowitz, an avid football fan, isn't as interested in touchdowns as in what happens after them. He has devised a "strategy table" that could help coaches answer the question of when to kick the PAT and when

to go for the two-pointer. "Early in the game, the decision is such an area of unknown," says Sackrowitz. "I thought my research could be of considerable value."

Sackrowitz, who previously cowrote (with his son, Daniel) a detailed analysis of ball control for the magazine *Chance*, has devised a formula that takes into account the score; the number of possessions left for both teams (six per quarter is the NFL average); the possible result of each of those possessions (touchdown, field goal or no score; safety is ignored because it's probabilistically insignificant); and the probability of each of those results based on the team's previous performance. The formula then reveals whether a team's chances of winning are greater if it goes for one or two. He lays this all out in an easy-to-read table.

Who might be interested in such a document? Bobby Ross, the coach of the Detroit Lions, to name one. Ross's early-third-

quarter decision to go for two in a Nov. 14 game against the Arizona Cardinals when Detroit was losing 23-13 may have cost the Lions the game; Detroit failed to convert and lost 23-19. Sackrowitz's table shows that when trailing by 10 points, a coach typically should not go for two until fewer than six combined possessions remain in the game.

Sackrowitz knows that a coach doesn't have time to figure all the possible scenarios. (Only a statistics professor with time on his hands can do that.) Can he foresee a day when his work is on every clipboard? "It could provide coaches with a more realistic decision," says Sackrowitz, "but for now it beats grading papers."

## COLLEGE FOOTBALL

### Ewes...er, Utes Win!

Because it has more subscribers to Animal Planet (250,000) than to ESPN2 (50,000), one Utah

cable company simulcast Utah's 17-16 Las Vegas Bowl victory over Fresno State last Saturday on both the network of Bears and Lions and the network of bears and lions. □

## This Week's Sign That the Apocalypse Is Upon Us

The Vail, Colo., ski resort has installed computer kiosks along its runs so skiers can check stock quotes and make trades.

## They Said It STEVE BEUERLEIN

Panthers quarterback, on why he lined up behind a guard instead of center Frank Garcia: "I'm sick of Frank's butt."





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# Faces in the Crowd



**Wendy Martin**, *Louisville*  
**Field Hockey**

Martin, 45, coached Louisville Collegiate School to its second straight state title and its fourth in the last five years. While amassing a 345-57-27 record in 19 seasons, Martin has won 10 state crowns and appeared in the finals 16 times. She has also coached two high school All-Americans.

**Kayla Lambert**, *Brockton, Mont.*  
**Basketball**

Kayla, a 5' 8" sophomore guard at Brockton High, averaged 42.2 points and set a state single-game girls' record by scoring 65 points, a feat she later duplicated, in an 86-68 win over Fairview High. At age 14 she's the youngest Montana girl to reach 1,000 points.



**Sammy Maldonado**, *Harrison, N.Y.*  
**Football**

Sammy, a senior at Harrison High, became the alltime state rushing leader by running for 355 yards and six touchdowns in the Huskies' 54-21 win over Red Hook High in a Class B regional final. Two weeks later he ran for 284 as Harrison beat Lackawanna High to win the state title.

**Cynthia Goodman**, *Redondo Beach, Calif.*  
**Cycling**

Goodman, 43, set a 40-44 age-group world record in winning the 500-meter gold medal at the masters' world championships in 39.3 seconds. She added another gold in the points race, and silver medals in the 2,000 pursuit and match sprints. She has won 16 world championship medals in the last four years.



**Heikki Ritvanen**, *Espoo, Finland*  
**Soccer**

Ritvanen, a senior forward at Central Florida, finished his career as the third-most-prolific goal scorer in NCAA Division I history. This year he was the Trans America Athletic Conference MVP with 17 goals, following seasons in which he produced 24, 23 and 24. His career total of 188 points was a school record.

**David Azuma**, *Lake Oswego, Ore.*  
**Racquetball**

Azuma, 45, won three gold medals at the national doubles championships, teaming with Stan Wright of Fremont, Calif., in the 40-and-over competition; Mark Baron of Herndon, Va., in the 45-and-over; and Elaine Dexter of Pleasanton, Calif., in the 45-and-over mixed.



## OLYMPIC TRAMPOLINING

# A Big-time Bounce Back

**F**EW SPORTS have had as many ups and downs as trampolining, which will debut as an Olympic event at next year's Sydney Games. The first documented trampoline exhibition in the U.S. was given by circus star John Bill Ricketts in 1793 in Philadelphia. For his finale Ricketts flipped over five mounted horsemen and landed near the guest of honor, George Washington. Through much of the 20th century trampolining remained an American sensation, popularized in countless suburban backyards. U.S. athletes won every world title from 1964 through '70. In the '70s, however, injury-inspired lawsuits against trampoline manufacturers and owners proliferated, and, after the American Academy of Pediatrics recommended in '76 that trampolining be dropped from gymnastics competitions and phys-ed programs, the sport went into decline.

In less litigious Europe, meanwhile, trampolining has flourished. The favorites in the 12-man, 12-woman fields in Sydney—there will be no team event at the 2000 Games—will be from Russia, Belarus and France. At last year's world championships only one American, Jennifer Parilla (16th), placed among the top 25 men or women.

While only 50 of the 5,000 registered trampolinists in the U.S. compete at the elite level, there's hope of an American resurgence. In September, Parilla became the first U.S. competitor to qualify for the Sydney Olympics. "We're optimistic that the sport will take off here with the Gen-X crowd," says U.S. Gymnastics Federation president Bob Colarossi. Adds Bil Copp, former president of the United States Acro Gymnastics Federation, "Trampoline has overcome enormous obstacles. It was on the edge of dying." Olympic inclusion will no doubt help it rebound. □





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# FIRST-DEGREE

**Nabbed** After Adams (opposite) died, Carruth fled to Tennessee, where the FBI found him in the trunk of a car and hauled him in.



**Rae Carruth was a  
gifted but unassuming  
wide receiver for  
the Panthers. Now he  
stands accused of  
ordering the murder**

# **TRAGEDY**

**of his pregnant  
girlfriend—a  
horrific crime  
that, like Carruth**

**himself, remains  
shrouded in mystery**





BY MICHAEL BAMBERGER

**H**E WANTED to be a screenwriter when his football days were over, yet nothing Rae Carruth could have dreamed up for Hollywood could have matched this: A first-round NFL draft choice, accused of murder and on the lam, making a cell-phone call to his bail bondsman from inside the trunk of a female friend's Toyota Camry in a motel parking lot. Yet that was where the 25-year-old

Carruth, a genial and well-liked wide receiver for the Carolina Panthers, found himself on the evening of Dec. 15. When FBI agents popped the trunk, Carruth, fearing he might be shot, raised his hands and surrendered, perhaps never to see freedom again.

To the shock of those close to him, Carruth became the first active NFL player ever charged with first-degree murder. Prosecutors say he arranged to have his 6½-months-pregnant girlfriend, 24-year-old Cherica Adams, killed in a Nov. 16 drive-by shooting on a quiet street in Charlotte. Of

scrabble section of Sacramento, he always went by the last name his mother, Theodry, took on when she married Rae's stepfather. When that marriage broke up, Theodry was left to raise Rae alone. She forged an extraordinarily close bond with him.

Rae loved rugged sports—at age seven he drew pictures of himself as an NFL player—but he also had a soft side, especially around women. As he grew into a teen, eventually earning a football scholarship to Colorado, he proved deft at winning the affection and trust of women,

tion. As a senior he refused to grant interviews, even to acquaintances who worked for the school paper. "He was always somewhat mysterious and reserved, almost as if he was sitting back watching everything around him unfold while he took notes in his head," says a college friend, Elizabeth Newman, who's now a reporter for SI.

Shortly before the 1997 draft, thieves broke into Theodry's house and burned it down. Though the fire shook him up and affected his performance at the NFL combine, Rae attempted to hide it from NFL teams, afraid that they would think he was involved with gangs in Sacramento. After joining Carolina as the No. 27 pick—he received a four-year, \$3.7 million contract—he had a brilliant first season, leading NFL rookies with 44 catches and 545 receiving yards, but remaining somewhat of a puzzle. He wore five jersey numbers in three seasons. When he was arrested, none of his teammates claimed to know him very well, though all described him as friendly.

Carruth's career took a downturn after his first year. He missed virtually all of 1998 with a broken right foot. He had caught 14 passes in five games this season when he

**"He seemed more pressured after the injury," said Sandra, "more**



**Accused** Prosecutors allege that (from left) Watkins—the supposed triggerman—Abraham and Kennedy worked with Carruth, whose three-year career as an NFL wideout appears to be over.

the many questions swirling around the case—How did Carruth know the three men in the car from which Adams was allegedly gunned down? What motive could he have had?—none was as difficult to answer as the simplest: Who is Rae Carruth?

To start with, he's not Rae Carruth. Legally he's Rae Lamar Wiggins, his surname coming from the biological father who didn't raise him. Yet, while growing up in a hard-

sometimes dating several of them simultaneously without the others' knowing. While a sophomore in college he fathered a son, Raelondo, with a girlfriend in Sacramento and was later ordered to pay \$3,500 a month in child support.

Carruth valued his privacy. When Colorado teammate Rashaan Salaam won the Heisman in 1995, Carruth told a friend he would never want that much media atten-

tion. As a senior he refused to grant interviews, even to acquaintances who worked for the school paper. "He was always somewhat mysterious and reserved, almost as if he was sitting back watching everything around him unfold while he took notes in his head," says a college friend, Elizabeth Newman, who's now a reporter for SI.

That injury coincided with a change in his attitude toward Adams's pregnancy, according to her mother, Sandra. After initially asking Cherica to consider an abortion, Sandra said last week, Carruth became "excited about the baby, seemingly." For several months, she said, Carruth attended prenatal-care visits with Cherica, but he stopped going after he was hurt. "He seemed to be more pressured after his injury," Sandra said, "more pressured about money and how much the baby was going to cost him."

Even though Cherica was a successful real estate agent who could have paid for much of the baby's care, Carruth may have had reason to feel squeezed. On top of having to make support payments for Raelondo, he reportedly had lost money in an alleged pyramid scheme involving car title loans in South Carolina and is being sued for backing out on the purchase of a \$224,000 house in Charlotte. Investigators theorize that Carruth, concerned about his





## pressured about money and how much the baby would cost him.”

NFL future and the prospect of doubling his support payments, may have panicked.

This much appears irrefutable: If Carruth—an English-education double major in college who made the academic All-Big 12 team—did mastermind the murder of Adams, he did so with remarkable clumsiness. Early on Nov. 16, shortly after midnight, Carruth was driving his white Expedition, followed by Adams, in her black BMW, in a residential neighborhood in Charlotte, according to lawyers involved in the case. The two, who began dating after they met at a party a year ago, had gotten together that evening. According to the attorneys, Carruth used his cell phone to call another car, in which three men were riding: William Watkins, 44, who detailed Carruth's car and did odd jobs for him, and who, according to a court document, was the triggerman; Michael Kennedy, 24, an acquaintance of Watkins's who recently had pleaded guilty in South Carolina to illegal possession of a 9-millimeter pistol; and 19-year-old Stanley Abraham Jr., a day laborer whose relationship to the others is unclear. The attorneys allege that shortly

after receiving the call the car with the three men drew alongside Adams's car, and Watkins opened fire. Four bullets struck Adams, in the neck, the chest and the abdomen. She called 911 on her cell phone and gave an account of the shooting. After nearly a month in the hospital, she died on Dec. 14. Her baby, a boy named Chancellor Lee Adams, was delivered by caesarean section hours after the shooting. He remained in fair condition on Monday at the Carolina Medical Center.

Carruth, Watkins, Kennedy and Abraham were all arrested for conspiracy to commit murder, among other charges. Carruth, who was put on unpaid leave by the Panthers, posted \$3 million bond and was released. When Adams died, the conspiracy charge was changed to first-degree murder for all four men. An arrest warrant was issued for Carruth, who didn't turn himself in. Carolina immediately cut him.

Within 24 hours FBI agents—acting on a tip that originated with Theodry—tracked their man to a gray Toyota parked outside the Best Western motel in the small town of Wildersville, Tenn., 426 miles west of Char-

lotte. Theodry told Carruth's bail bondsman what kind of car her son was in, who owned it—Wendy Cole, a Charlotte hairdresser who was a friend of both Rae's and Theodry's—and where it was located. Theodry's act was motivated by love; she knew that fugitives often end up dead.

So four men face murder charges and possibly the death penalty. A baby boy has no mother. The mother, a beautiful young woman who liked life's sparkly side, was buried last Saturday. The minister at the funeral service, Robyn Gool, didn't bid goodbye to Cherica Adams gently. "Some people think life is partying," he said in his sermon. "They think that life is clubbing. Some people think life is sex. Some people think life is popularity. Some think life is material possession. None of these things is life. Life is a relationship with God."

The casket was closed. The baby was still in the hospital. The alleged mastermind, so-called, behind the murder was in jail. The Panthers still have two games left in their season. For Rae Carruth, a.k.a. Rae Lamar Wiggins, his season is over. All the rest of his seasons may be over, too. □





**Rising star** Gonzalez got the Chiefs on the board when he hauled in a 15-yard touchdown pass over Steelers defensive back Lance Brown.

PHOTOGRAPH BY DAMIAN STROHMEYER



# Kansas City's athletic tight end, Tony Gonzalez, used some of his basketball skills to develop into one of the NFL's premier players at his position

BY LEIGH MONTVILLE

# Chief Weapon

**T**HE PHONE CALL came from Roy Williams, basketball coach at Kansas, during the middle of last week. The Jayhawks had a game on Thursday night in Lawrence against Ohio State. Tony Gonzalez had put in a request for tickets, and the request had been filled. But Williams had also left a message for the Kansas City Chiefs' tight end. A personal message.

"What's it say?" Gonzalez asked in the Chiefs' locker room at Arrowhead Stadium.

"You'll have to hear it for yourself," replied a teammate who had heard the message. "It's for you. It's really good."

"Does he want me to play?" Gonzalez asked. "Is that it? Does Roy Williams need a guy? Because here I am. I think I have a year of eligibility left. I could get out there right now. I could get him some points."

As easily as that, the idea took hold. *At forward, 6' 4", 250 pounds, from Huntington Beach, California, TONY Gon-ZA-lez.* He lifted a hand and took an imaginary jumper. The imaginary ball went through an imaginary basket. He could do that. Yes, he could. Straight off the street he could put on a Kansas uniform and drop 15 points, grab seven or eight boards on those sad visitors from Columbus. Columbus? He could do it against the visitors from Boston or Milwaukee, L.A. or New York. The NBA. He could do it in the NBA.

"I played against a lot of those guys," Gonzalez says. "Stephon Marbury. Jerry Stackhouse. I don't know if they remember me, but I played against them in the summer camps. Always came out in the top 15. Same as them. I played with four guys at Berkeley who have been in the NBA. Shareef Abdur-Rahim. Ed Gray. Guys like that. I played ahead of guys at Cal who are in the NBA. Why couldn't I do it?"

The NBA. The NFL. Why not take on the AFL, the CIO, the UN,

too? Why not MSNBC, the FBI, TGIF? The horizon was flat and all engines were purring. Possibility was no harder to find than water or air. The Chiefs, the latest hot team of this strange NFL season, were preparing for Saturday's game against the Pittsburgh Steelers, whom they would defeat 35-19 to go 9-5 and set up a meeting against the Seattle Seahawks this Sunday with first place in the AFC West on the line. Gonzalez would have his best day as a pro, catching six passes for 93 yards and two touchdowns. Bring 'em on. Bring on anybody or anything.

"I've read that [Minnesota Vikings wide receiver] Randy Moss wants to play in the NBA, two sports," Gonzalez says. "Maybe I



wouldn't mind that either. Maybe I wouldn't mind playing Randy Moss."

Confidence is a wonderful thing. When it finally arrives.

"THE THIRD year is when everything finally clicks in for me," Gonzalez says. "I'm not sure why that is. High school? I was nothing until my junior year. College? The same thing. I was an All-America as a junior. The NFL? Here it is all over again."

Twenty-three-years old, better and better with each succeeding

ball is there. He is as agile as a wideout, as big as a pine tree planted in the middle of the field. The pine tree dunks the ball over the crossbar when he scores his first touchdown in a game. After his second score on Saturday, he threw up a 15-foot jumper for variety.

"We had a great situation in practice one week," Cunningham says. "Donnie Edwards at outside linebacker is an athlete, a lot like Tony. The same size, same age. A team was going to play Tony with a great linebacker and we used Donnie to impersonate him in our practices. It was something to see, those two guys just going at each other. You couldn't take your eyes off them. It was just this pure one-on-one game."

## Improving every week, the 23-year-old Gonzalez all at once appears to be the best tight end in the game.

week, Gonzalez all at once appears to be the best tight end in the league. His stock has exploded like an Internet IPO. Who is better? Mark Chmura of the Green Bay Packers is injured. So is Shannon Sharpe of the Denver Broncos. Ben Coates of the New England Patriots is having a down year. Gonzalez has caught 61 passes, already a Kansas City season record for a tight end. So are his 10 touchdown receptions; six of those have come in the past four weeks.

Against the sad Steelers he caught just about everything thrown within 10 feet of him, reaching, twisting, turning, plucking passes from the air on those 58 television screens against the wall of the nation's electronics departments as Christmas shoppers stopped to stare. His best play might have been a block, a wicked shot to Pittsburgh All-Pro middle linebacker Levon Kirkland that helped spring wide receiver Derrick Alexander on a winding, 82-yard end-around for a third-quarter touchdown that closed all accounts.

"Tony Gonzalez hit that guy so far . . ." Chiefs first-year coach Gunther Cunningham said, looking fruitlessly for a proper description. "I don't know how far. He just hit him. That was typical of the plays we've been getting from him."

His timing with perpetually criticized quarterback Elvis Grbac is getting better and better. Gonzalez runs a route, turns, and the

Says Grbac, "Tony's confidence level is so high he believes he can catch anything you throw at him."

The click-in began about a year ago. The Chiefs were heading toward a 7-9 finish under coach Marty Schottenheimer. Gonzalez was marching in step. The 13th pick in the 1997 draft as a junior out of Cal, he'd been a backup as a rookie and was in his first season as a starter. He would wind up with 59 catches, but 11 games into the season he had only 35 receptions and he hadn't caught a touchdown pass. He'd also dropped 13 passes. Wasn't this kid supposed to be this great two-sport athlete who had scored 23 points in a 1997 NCAA tournament win over Villanova? Where was this athleticism? The kid was wondering the same thing.

"One of the sportswriters in the city grades performances," Gonzalez recalls. "He gave me a D-minus. I'd never gotten a D-minus in anything. D-minus? People were stopping me on the street, calling me at home, asking what was the matter. I didn't have an answer. I'd never worked so hard preparing for a season. I'd put in all these hours in the weight room, out on the field, and I had nothing to show for it. I was confused."

The confusion was partly the fault of the Kansas City coaches.

Intrigued by the idea of mismatches featuring a man too fast for linebackers to handle and too large for safeties to cover, they had put wrinkles into the offense for him, "broadened his plate too much," in the words of offensive coordinator Jimmy Raye. The decision was made to simplify his job and make it fun again. "You've played in Pauley Pavilion and the Rose Bowl," Raye told Gonzalez. "You can't get any bigger than that. Just relax. You're pressing."

"I'd slam the ball down after I dropped it," Gonzalez says. "I'd be on my knees, pounding the ground in frustration. It was all inexperience. You have to get up and forget. I couldn't do that yet."

In search of answers, he turned to a resource rarely used in football: the bookstore. He began reading motivational books. Pat Riley. Phil Jackson. Lou Holtz. Tony Robbins. He found a book, *The Edge*, by Howard E. Ferguson, that was a collection of positive quotations from famous men. He read a biography of Vince Lombardi. He looked for words that shed light on his problem. Was he

**Hammer time** Gonzalez leveled Pittsburgh's Kirkland, springing Alexander on an 82-yard score.





TIM SUHR

AGE 19

THE JOURNEY BEGINS

AGE 21

TRAVELS TO JERUSALEM, PARIS,  
CAIRO, ITALY AND SPAIN

AGE 22

GOES HORSEBACK AND CAMEL RIDING  
IN THE DESERTS OF BAHRAIN

AGE 25

ATTENDS NAVAL LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

AGE 27

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afraid of success? Was he as committed to his task as possible?

In the last five games of the 1998 season Gonzalez caught 24 balls, including his only two touchdown passes of the season. He felt comfortable for the first time as a pro. He felt the start of the click. He remembered the first click of them all.

"I WAS awful at football when I was a little kid," Gonzalez says. "I didn't have the aggressiveness. I was just a nice kid. I didn't want to hurt anyone. I played Pop Warner because my older brother, Chris, did. I was big, but I was just a puddin'—everybody pushed me around."

He says he was one of the worst players on one of the worst Pop Warner teams in Orange County, the Huntington Beach (Calif.) Cobras. The league rules said that every kid whose parents paid the \$180 entry fee had to play six downs in every game. That's how many Gonzalez played: six. Off the field his life was even worse. In eighth grade he was stalked by a pair of bullies. "They were older, in high school, and they'd come looking for me," he says. "They called my house, threatening me. To this day, I don't know why they were after me."

Tony used to hide his skateboard in the weeds outside school, jump aboard and hustle home as fast as he could. He would lock the doors and watch television. He didn't go to school dances, didn't join clubs. He hid from the bullies. Eighth grade was the worst time of his life. He summoned the courage to set up a fight with the bullies, then backed out.

In a predominantly white neighborhood in this bedroom community on the Pacific, he had a curious, darker complexion. What was he? That was the question he always was asked. His name seemed to indicate that he was Mexican-American, but it was not the original family name. His paternal grandfather was Cape Verdean, an immigrant from that small set of Portuguese islands off the west coast of Africa. The grandfather's real surname was Goncals, but after an immigration official at Ellis Island mistakenly typed in Gonzalez on the entry papers, it became the family name. Tony's paternal grandmother was Jamaican. His grandfather on his mother's side was American Indian and African-American. His maternal grandmother was white. Tony was a bunch of stuff.

"Put it all in," he says. "Please. I get people who ask me ques-

**"I was big," Gonzalez says of his younger days,**

**"but I was just a puddin'—everybody pushed me around."**

tions in Spanish. My teammates have no idea what I am.

They call me the Big Mexican. It's the first thing people ask. I've seen racism from whites, from blacks, from Hispanics. I've seen it from everywhere. I'm proud of everything I am. It's like music. Why do you have to like only one kind of music? I like all kinds."

At the end of eighth grade, a couple of things changed. First, he stopped worrying about the bullies. At graduation that year, still afraid, he had hurried off the stage and hidden around the corner. He still remembers the looks on his family members' faces when they found him, how pitiful he felt. He vowed never to be in that situation again. Second, he found basketball. He scored 18 points in the first game he ever played, in a rec league in Huntington Beach. Basketball gave him confidence.

"The next year, I went out for football at the high school because my brother was playing," he says. "The first day of prac-



**Slam dunk** Gonzalez punctuates some scores with a hoops move.

tice, Eric Escobedo, a friend of mine, looked up and said, 'Gonzalez? What are you doing back out there?' Well, he didn't know I was different. After basketball, well, I got it. I figured it out. I could play football too."

Click. High school. College. Click. The pros.

SUPPOSE HE'D had three years to settle into a basketball career. What could have happened then? Suppose he'd had one year of playing just basketball. He always played his best basketball at the end of the season, when his body and mind were acclimated to the sport again. What if the end of one basketball season were the start of the next? Wouldn't he be better? How much better? Who knows?

"As it is, I wouldn't mind trying the two sports some time," Gonzalez says. "I've never talked to the Chiefs about it, so I don't know what they'd think, but it would be something to try."

What would Vince Lombardi say? Lou Holtz? Tony Robbins?

Don't they talk about reaching your potential? How do you reach your potential if you never try? Gonzalez

already has a court at his house in the Kansas City suburbs. Sometimes he shoots jumpers to settle his mind. He also plays basketball every day during the off-season, often with teammates.

"I've dunked on about half the team," he says. "The other half, mostly the big guys like Chester McGlockton and Derrick Ransom, they've already told me that if I try on them, they'll hurt me."

Oh, yes, and the part about Roy Williams? Gonzalez says he went to the Kansas game. He also checked the message. "What'd it say?" someone asked.

"It was some thoughts about playing against the Steelers," Gonzalez said. "Some inspirational stuff. He wished me luck. He didn't say he needed another player."

O.K., football for now. He might as well go ahead and become a superstar. □



## Years apart

Weinke (16) is eight years older than Vick (7), but both are poised under pressure.

BY IVAN MAISEL

**F**OR A snapshot comparison of the teams that will play for the national championship in the Sugar Bowl on Jan. 4, focus on their quarterbacks. Florida State, playing in the title game for the third time in four seasons, is led by Chris Weinke, a 27-year-old portrait of unflappability. Weinke's six-year minor league baseball stint (he was a first baseman in the Toronto Blue Jays' organization) and three years with the Seminoles make him, in athletic terms, a ninth-year junior. Upstart Virginia Tech, playing for its first national championship, is led by 19-year-old Michael Vick, who combined athleticism and poise to achieve beyond all expectations this season. "My redshirt freshman will be calmer than I will," Hokies coach Frank Beamer says of Vick. "I believe that. He just doesn't panic."

Using the quarterbacks as metaphors, however, only goes so far. The truth is, Flori-

da State and Virginia Tech have more in common than their 11-0 records. They play intimidating defense. They employ aggressive kicking games. Anyone who thinks the Hokies are out of their league in this matchup needs to know that Virginia Tech is capable of beating the Seminoles. Whether the Hokies do so will depend largely on the answers to the following five questions.

**Can Virginia Tech's secondary contain Florida State's receivers?** Ask Beamer his biggest concern heading into the Sugar Bowl and he'll say, "I think we have enough athletes. I hope we have enough in the secondary to stay with all the receivers they've got." The only person Seminoles All-America flanker Peter Warrick couldn't shake this season was Willie Meggs, a state's attorney for Florida who had Warrick arrested for grand theft (a felony charge that was later reduced to a misdemeanor) after a Dillard's department store clerk allowed Warrick and teammate Laveranues Coles to pay only \$21.40 for \$412.38 worth of clothing.

Warrick's two-game suspension for Dillard-gate served as a coming-out party for the Seminoles' other receivers. Says Weinke, "I told them, 'I expect you to do what he's done. I don't want to slow down just because we're missing Peter.'"

Though Warrick caught 71 passes in only nine games, and though just one other Florida State receiver, senior Ron Dugans, caught more than 20, the fact is, 11 Seminoles caught touchdown passes. On the 48-yard drive to set up the winning 39-yard field goal at Clemson, Weinke completed four of five passes, none to Warrick. At Florida, Weinke threw to Marvin Minnis for the 27-yard, fourth-quarter touchdown that provided the 30-23 victory.

In each of eight games this season Florida State's receiving corps gained 100 yards or more after making catches. "They're going to make somebody miss. The second [defensive] guy has to be there," says Clemson coach Tommy Bowden, whose Tigers allowed his father Bobby's offense only two

JOHN BIEVER; RICHARD MACKSON



# SugarPlums

College Football



**In a sweet matchup of two potent teams, Florida State figures to win its second national title of the decade, but Virginia Tech won't go without a fight**



plays longer than 20 yards, a big reason Clemson lost just narrowly, 17-14. Yards after the catch will be especially hard to come by against the Virginia Tech secondary, which has excelled at breaking up passes or causing fumbles with slobber-knocking hits.

**Will Florida State's depth wear Virginia Tech down?** Seminoles defensive coordinator Mickey Andrews believes in using a lot of players to tire out an opponent by the fourth quarter. Florida State will bring in a new defensive line in the second quarter and shuttle defensive backs in and out throughout the game. The Hokies, on the other hand, will stick to a core of 14 to 17 defensive players. They have owned the fourth quarter this fall, turning close games against Clemson and Miami into routs with a late avalanche of points by the defense. But against a team with so many athletes, the Hokies' endurance will be severely tested.

**Who'll win the battle of special teams?** If there's one area in which the Hokies should have an advantage, it's the kicking game. Virginia Tech blocked 63 kicks in the 1990s, including two this season. So many coaches wanted to come to Blacksburg last spring for a special teams tutorial that Beamer split them up into two groups. One last-minute cancellation came from Florida State line-

backers and special-teams assistant coach Chuck Amato. "I could kick myself in the fanny now," he says. The Hokies' Shayne Graham is a four-time All-Big East kicker who made a 44-yarder as time expired before a hostile crowd at West Virginia to clinch a 22-20 win.

Still, all of that gets Virginia Tech no better than a draw against the Seminoles' special-teamers, who blocked six kicks this season and haven't had a boot of their own blocked in 21 games. Kicker Sebastian Janikowski (SI, Dec. 20) is unparalleled as an offensive and defensive weapon. Refer-

## Mobile quarterbacks with accurate arms have given the Seminoles' defense the most trouble.

ring to Janikowski's ability to produce touchdowns, Beamer says, "I don't think we want to work on our kickoff returns, do we?"

**How good is the Florida State defense?** The Seminoles, who had 40 sacks in 1998, got only 29 this season, in part because they were out of control at times. "Instead of breaking down and making a play, we try to knock the quarterback out," end Jamal Reynolds laments. "We can't keep going for the kill shot."

The offenses that gave Florida State the most trouble—Georgia Tech's and Miami's—featured mobile quarterbacks with accurate arms. Sound like anyone you know, Hokies fans? The Yellow Jackets' Joe Hamilton completed 22 of 25 passes for 387 yards and four scores in a gallant 41-35 losing effort. "If you look at the teams who have beaten Florida State recently," says Georgia Tech offensive coordinator Ralph Friedgen, "they always make plays with the wide receiver." Tennessee's Peerless Price (four catches for 199 yards and one touchdown) in last January's Fiesta Bowl, North Car-

olina State's Torrey Holt (nine for 135 and one touchdown) in the Wolfpack's 1998 upset of the Seminoles and Florida's Jacquez Green (seven for 145) in the 1997 regular-season finale can attest to that. They were the clutch receivers on the last teams to defeat Florida State.

This season Seminoles senior cornerback Mario Edwards got left behind like a lunch box more than once. He'll be tested in the Sugar Bowl by Virginia Tech sophomore Andre Davis, who averaged 27.5 yards per catch, the best among the top Division I-A receivers, and who has proved to be the ideal partner for Vick.

**At quarterback, will youth win out over experience?** This is how well Vick improvises: In the Hokies' 62-7 win over Temple he left the locker room without his wristband with the plays scripted on it. He borrowed the wristband from the third-string quarterback, Grant Noel, before the opening series. However, since Vick is lefthanded and Noel is righthanded, their scripts differed. Early in the third quarter, offensive coordinator Rickey Bustle signaled for Vick to call a run by himself around left end. On the borrowed wristband, however, the signal corresponded to a play around right end. "As he comes out of the huddle, and I see the formation," Bustle says, "I'm thinking, What the hell is he calling?" Vick took the snap, started to the right, reversed field and went 75 yards down the left side for a touchdown. "Something a freshman would

**Pulverizer** The swift-striking Moore, who led the Hokies with 17 sacks, won the Lombardi Award as the nation's top lineman.



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## Sugar Bowl Preview

do," Bustle summarizes. Not many of them.

Vick led the nation in passing efficiency (180.4, a Division I-A freshman record) and finished third in the Heisman vote. "He throws the deep ball as well as anyone I've seen," says Virginia defensive coordinator Rick Lantz, who coached against both teams and believes the Hokies will win. "Vick gets the ball out there in catchable position." It's tempting to believe he's Tiger Woods in shoulder pads, but Bustle didn't let Vick stray from tightly scripted game plans. Vick averaged only nine completions and 15 attempts. He rarely threw over the middle, where coaches don't allow freshman quarterbacks to venture. "We ran more pass patterns against Florida than [the Hokies ran] in any three games," Amato says.

Both quarterbacks are winners. Vick is 10-0 as a starter. (He missed Virginia Tech's game against Alabama-Birmingham with an ankle injury.) Bobby Bowden says Weinke, who has won his last 20 starts, came of age this year at Clemson. "There were 86,000 people, and it's a loud place," Bowden says. "National TV. We're behind 14-3. How much worse could it be? He pulls it out, though." Weinke drove his teammates through the Warrick episode without letting them rubberneck. At Florida, when he threw an interception that the Gators' Bennie Alexander returned 43 yards to give Florida a 16-13 lead, Weinke didn't flinch. He led the Seminoles to a field goal and two touchdowns on three of their next four possessions. If there's a quarterback who can



withstand the pressure Virginia Tech Lombardi Award winner Corey Moore will apply from defensive end, it's Weinke. "We're ready to play," Weinke says. "How many people get the opportunity to play for a national championship? Guys are focused even more than I've seen throughout the year."

Friedgen, one of Beamer's closest friends, can't help but think about Super Bowl XXIX, in which Friedgen was offensive coordinator for the surprising San Diego Chargers as they met the San Francisco 49ers. "I don't know how you pre-

**Catching on** Minnis and his fellow receivers emerged in Warrick's absence, strengthening the Florida State offense.

pare players for an atmosphere like that," he says. "San Francisco had been there as an annual event. The 49ers were ready to go to work. Our guys were in awe."

As many times as Florida State has been in this position, the Seminoles have never been here with a ninth-year junior. There's a reason coaches love experience. We'll see why on Jan. 4. Seminoles, 20-13. □

## The Big Bowl Matchups

### ■ **Fiesta Bowl, Jan. 2** Nebraska (11-1) vs. Tennessee (9-2)

The Huskers and the Vols are kicking themselves all the way to Tempe trying to figure out why they aren't in New Orleans. Though Nebraska quarterback Eric Crouch isn't the passer to exploit the Tennessee secondary the way Arkansas did in November, the Huskers have one of the few defenses that could throttle Vols quarterback Tee Martin. Tennessee's return trip to the desert won't be as much fun as last season's visit.

### ■ **Orange Bowl, Jan. 1** Alabama (10-2) vs. Michigan (9-2)

Analyze all the X's and O's you want. If Crimson Tide left offensive tackle Chris Samuels hasn't recovered enough from a sore left knee to play, Alabama won't win. If he's healthy, watch time of possession. The Tide averaged more than 37 minutes. The Wolverines, with junior tailback Anthony Thomas, can grind it out, too. Don't take the A-Train, as Thomas is known, unless Samuels is out of commission.

### ■ **Rose Bowl, Jan. 1** Stanford (8-3) vs. Wisconsin (9-2)

Short of kidnapping tailback Ron Dayne, is there anything the Cardinal can do to beat the Badgers? Yes: Score early and speed up the tempo of the game. Given the chance, Wisconsin will hand the ball to Dayne and punish the outmanned Stanford defense. One caveat: Beware of sure things. Rose Bowl history is littered with upsets. Take a flier and add this one to the list.

### ■ **Gator Bowl, Jan. 1** Georgia Tech (8-3) vs. Miami (8-4)

Hurricanes wide receiver Santana Moss should enjoy himself against the Yellow Jackets, who never met a wide receiver they couldn't turn into a first-round draft pick. Georgia Tech quarterback Joe Hamilton enjoys himself against anyone, especially teams that went 2-4 against bowl teams. Hamilton will win his last shootout.

### ■ **Sun Bowl, Dec. 31** Minnesota (8-3) vs. Oregon (8-3)

If you can watch but one game before the turn of the century, make it this one. Key matchup: Oregon's young quarterbacks against the Gophers' veteran secondary. The Ducks will fly.



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BY JEFF PEARLMAN

**Y**OU ARE a disgrace to the game of baseball. Maybe you should think before you shoot off your big fat mouth. You are an immature punk who is lucky to be in the majors. Get some class!"

—A posting by "Metsfan4Life" on [www.rockersucks.com](http://www.rockersucks.com)

A MINIVAN is rolling slowly down Atlanta's Route 400, and John Rocker, driving directly behind it in his blue Chevy Tahoe, is pissed. "Stupid bitch! Learn to f---ing drive!" he yells. Rocker honks his horn. Once. Twice. He swerves a lane to the left. There is a toll booth with a tariff of 50 cents. Rocker tosses in two quarters. The gate doesn't rise. He tosses in another quarter. The gate still doesn't rise. From behind, a horn blasts. "F--- you!" Rocker yells, flashing his left middle finger out the window. Finally, after Rocker has thrown in two dimes and a nickel, the gate rises. Rocker brings up a thick wad of phlegm. *Puuuh!* He spits at the machine. "Hate this damn toll."

With one hand on the wheel, the other gripping a cell phone, Rocker tears down the highway, weaving through traffic. In 10 minutes he is due to speak at Lockhart Academy, a school for learning-disabled children. Does Rocker enjoy speaking to children? "No," he says, "not really." But of all things big and small he hates—New York Mets fans, sore arms, jock itch—the thing he hates most is *traffic*. "I have no patience," he says. The speedometer reads 72. Rocker, in blue-tinted sunglasses and a backward baseball cap, is seething. "So many dumb asses don't know how to drive in this town," he says, Billy Joel's *New York State of Mind* humming softly from the radio. "They turn from the wrong lane. They go 20 miles per hour. It makes me want—Look! Look at this idiot! I guarantee you she's a Japanese woman." A beige Toyota is jerking from lane to lane. The woman at the wheel is white. "How bad are Asian women at driving?"

Two months have passed since the madness of John Rocker was introduced to the world. In the ninth inning of Game 3 of the National League Championship Series, Atlanta Braves manager Bobby Cox called for his closer—Rocker, a hard-throwing 6' 4", 225-pound lefthander who would turn 25 two days later and who had 38 regular-season saves, a 95-mph fastball and an unhittable slider—to seal a 1-0 win over the Mets. The Shea

# At Full Blast

Shooting outrageously from the lip, Braves closer John Rocker bangs away at his favorite targets: the Mets, their fans, their city and just about everyone in it





**Hanging out**

On one of his 40 off-season hunting trips, Rocker was on the lookout for deer in Macon.





**Same to you** The feeling is mutual between Rocker (with Braves pitching coach Lee Mazzone) and the Mets' faithful.

Stadium bullpen gate opened. A smattering of boos. Louder. Louder. Then, on the fourth or fifth stride of Rocker's dash toward the mound, it started: "A--hole! A--hole! A--hole!" Fifty-five thousand nine hundred eleven fans—black, white, brown, whatever—united by a common bond: hatred of John Rocker.

*"You are a low-class, ignorant piece of scum who doesn't care about anything or anybody. You are the Neanderthal. Maybe this upcoming season Mike Piazza or any other Mets player will hit you in the head with a line drive."*

—A posting by "Ed" on [www.rockersucks.com](http://www.rockersucks.com)

JOHN ROCKER has opinions, and there's no way to sugarcoat them. They are politically incorrect, to say the least, and he likes to express them.

- On ever playing for a New York team: "I would retire first. It's the most hectic, nerve-racking city. Imagine having to take the [Number] 7 train to the ballpark, looking like you're [riding through] Beirut next to some kid with purple hair next to some queer with AIDS right next to some dude who just got out of jail for the fourth time right next to some 20-year-old mom with four kids. It's depressing."

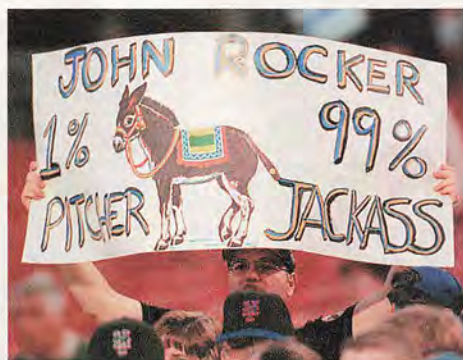
- On New York City itself: "The biggest thing I don't like about New York are the foreigners. I'm not a very big fan of foreigners. You can walk an entire block in Times

Braves were battling the Mets for the National League East title eventually won by Atlanta. Although the Braves beat the Mets in a grueling six-game Championship Series (and thus reached the World Series, in which they were swept by the other New York team, the Yankees), Rocker has not allowed himself to let go of the bitterness. You try to find different topics—hunting, women, family—but it always comes back to three cold nights at Shea, when bottles whizzed past his head, beer was dumped on his girlfriend and 2,007 sexual positions involving him and a sheep were suggested.

LIKE MANY Americans nowadays, Rocker is not one to look on the bright side. He likes to bitch and moan and shred things, and his voice—deep, intimidating—is naturally suited for the task. So are the thick eyebrows, the killing-spree scowl. Want to know how Atlanta will play in 2000? Ask later. Want to know why he has Manson-like feelings toward the Mets and everything remotely blue and orange? *Heeeere's Johnny...*

- On Mets manager Bobby Valentine: "The guy is not professional. Could you see [Yankees manager] Joe Torre or Bobby Cox get-

## John Rocker



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Square and not hear anybody speaking English. Asians and Koreans and Vietnamese and Indians and Russians and Spanish people and everything up there. How the hell did they get in this country?"

But Rocker reserves a special place in his heart for Mets fans, whom he began bad-mouthing during the regular season when the

not to come back to the team. The Mets' manager did it! That, and his college rah-rah s---? I don't like it."

- On Mets fans: "Nowhere else in the country do people spit at you, throw bottles at you, throw quarters at you, throw batteries at you and say, 'Hey, I did your mother last night—she's a whore.' I talked about what degenerates they were, and they proved me right. Just by saying something, I could make them mad enough to go home and slap their moms."

Much of Rocker's rancor traces to Game 4 of the NLCS, when the fans were especially harsh, the night especially frigid and the Braves one win from reaching the World Series. Rocker entered in the eighth inning to protect a 2-1 lead, with two outs and runners on first and second. After a double steal, John Olerud, the Mets' dangerous-but-struggling first baseman who was 0 for 7 lifetime against Rocker, rapped a bouncer up the middle, slightly to the left of second base. Atlanta reserve shortstop Ozzie Guillen, who had just replaced starter Walt Weiss as part of the double switch that brought Rocker into the game, lunged awkwardly for the ball. It hit his glove, then dribbled into the outfield. Two runs scored, and the Mets won. Afterward an angry Rocker called Olerud's single "one of the more cheaper hits I've given up my entire life." In retrospect he doesn't even

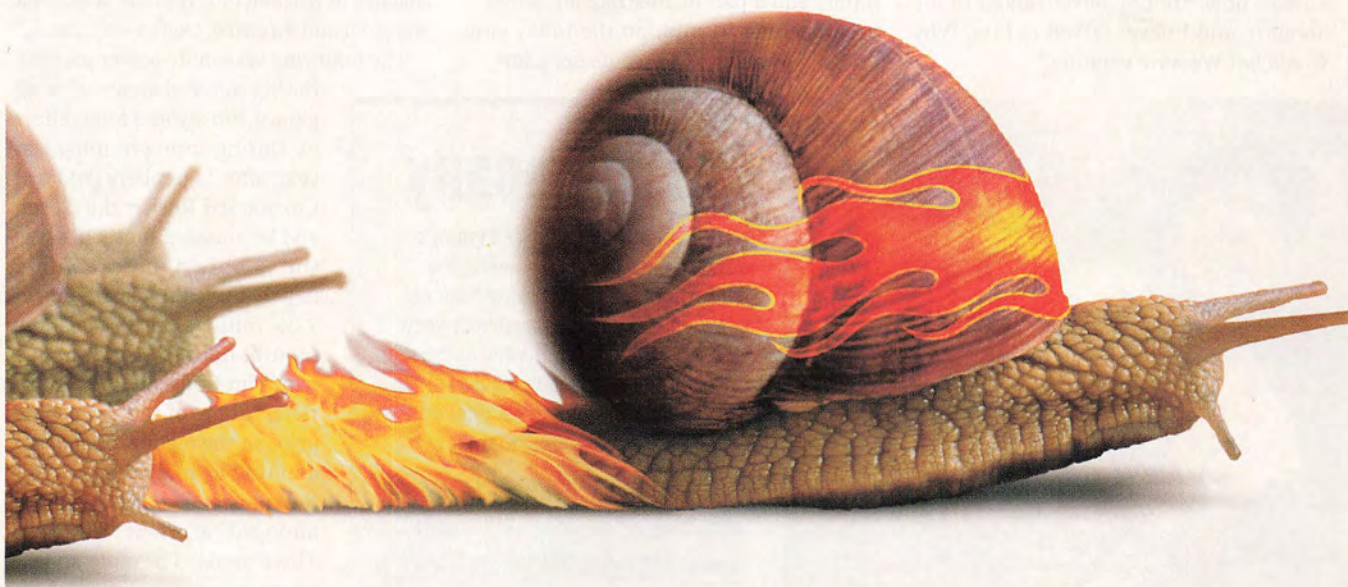
**"I talked about what degenerates [Mets fans] were," says Rocker, "and they proved me right."**

allow that much credit. "If Walt is playing shortstop instead of Ozzie, that's not a hit, and we win," says Rocker. "But we had a 38-year-old guy [actually 35] playing shortstop, and he can't make that kind of play."

That's not all. At Shea, Rocker was a one-man psycho circus. He spit at Mets fans. He gave them the finger. During batting practice



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he would shag a ball in the outfield, fake a toss to a throng of waving spectators, then throw it back to the pitcher, smiling wickedly. Once he took a ball and chucked it as hard as he could at a net that separated fans from the field. "If there wasn't a net there, it would have smoked 'em right in the face," he says. "But they're so stupid, they jumped back like the ball would hit 'em."

Cox, who was routinely asked about Rocker's behavior, told the media before Game 3 against the Mets that he had spoken with the pitcher, requesting that he tone down the act. "That never happened," Rocker says now. "Bobby never talked to me about it, and I never talked to him. Why would he? We were winning."



## Fast Company

WITH 104 strikeouts in 72½ innings John Rocker (left) was among the elite group of flamethrowing National League closers who earned their keep last season by blowing away batters. Here are the five league leaders in strikeouts per nine innings pitched (minimum 15 save opportunities).

CLOSER, TEAM	K'S/9 IP
<b>Billy Wagner, Astros</b>	<b>14.9</b>
<b>Armando Benitez, Mets</b>	<b>14.8</b>
<b>Matt Mantei, Diamondbacks</b>	<b>13.6</b>
<b>John Rocker, Braves</b>	<b>12.9</b>
<b>Ugueth Urbina, Expos</b>	<b>11.9</b>

TOM DIPIACE

*"You are the most hideous man I have ever laid eyes on. Hope your baseball career is short . . . just like your intelligence."*

—A posting by "Michelle" on [www.rockersucks.com](http://www.rockersucks.com)

ROCKER BEMOANS the fact that he is not more intelligent, and though his father says John graduated with a 3.5 GPA from Presbyterian Day High in Macon, Ga., in 1993, sometimes it's hard to argue. In passing, he calls an overweight black teammate "a fat monkey." Asked if he feels any bond with New York Knicks guard Latrell Sprewell, notorious for choking coach P.J. Carlesimo two years ago, Rocker lets out a snarl of disgust. "That guy should've been arrested, and instead he's playing basketball," he says. "Why do you think that is?"

Rocker was the Braves' 18th-round selection in the June '93 amateur draft, lasting that long because many clubs thought he'd enroll at Georgia. A starter who threw hard but was wild, Rocker was also nervous and sometimes eccentric. At Class A Danville in '94 he earned a mutant Fidrychian reputation for biting baseballs and letting throws from the catcher nail him in the chest. "He can get crazy," says Atlanta reliever Kerry Ligtenberg, who missed last season with a torn right elbow ligament. "I've played with John since '96. He's got a real short fuse. When it goes off, it's probably better not to be around."

When he signed with the Braves, Rocker and his parents, Jake, an executive at Georgia Farm Bureau Insurance, and Judy, who runs an ad agency out of her home, agreed

on a five-year plan. If things weren't looking good, he would use the education clause in his contract and finish college. (Rocker has completed two semesters at Mercer.) By the end of the '97 season things weren't looking good—5-6, 4.86 ERA at Double A Greenville—and the Braves mentioned turning him into a reliever. "It didn't sound too great to me," Rocker recalls. "I was a starter my whole life." The Braves sent Rocker to the Arizona Fall League to pitch exclusively from the pen. There, "I learned that everything's about attitude," says Rocker. "I used to worry over every pitch, every batter. The coaches in Arizona talked to me about just going out and throwing. Don't worry, throw."

The following season Rocker stuck with the big club and appeared in 47 games, mostly as a long reliever. During spring training last year, after Ligtenberg got hurt, Cox named Rocker the closer, and he amassed those 38 saves (in 45 opportunities) with a 2.49 ERA and 104 strikeouts in 72½ innings. Still it is his mouth, not his arm, that has won him Rodmanesque notoriety. "Some of the more stoic guys on the team probably get annoyed by me," he says. "But the younger, fiery guys—we get annoyed at their stoicism. There needs to be more atmosphere in our clubhouse. I don't mean loud music and hooting and hollering. But I don't think having the atmosphere of a doctor's office helps."

In the locker room at Shea following Game 4 of the National League Championship Series, as Rocker ranted and raved, fumed and fussed, Mike Remlinger, a 33-year-old lefthanded reliever with six years of major league experience, was asked whether Rocker had gone too far. Remlinger—quiet, thoughtful—paused. "The thing is," he said, "baseball is a game of humility. You can be on top one minute, as low as possible the next. When you're young, you don't realize it. But sooner or later you learn—we all do. Be humble."

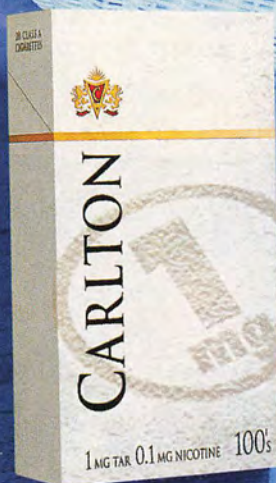
*"My mouth is watering for that day when Rocker steps foot in Shea once again. (This time I'm bringing D batteries.)"*

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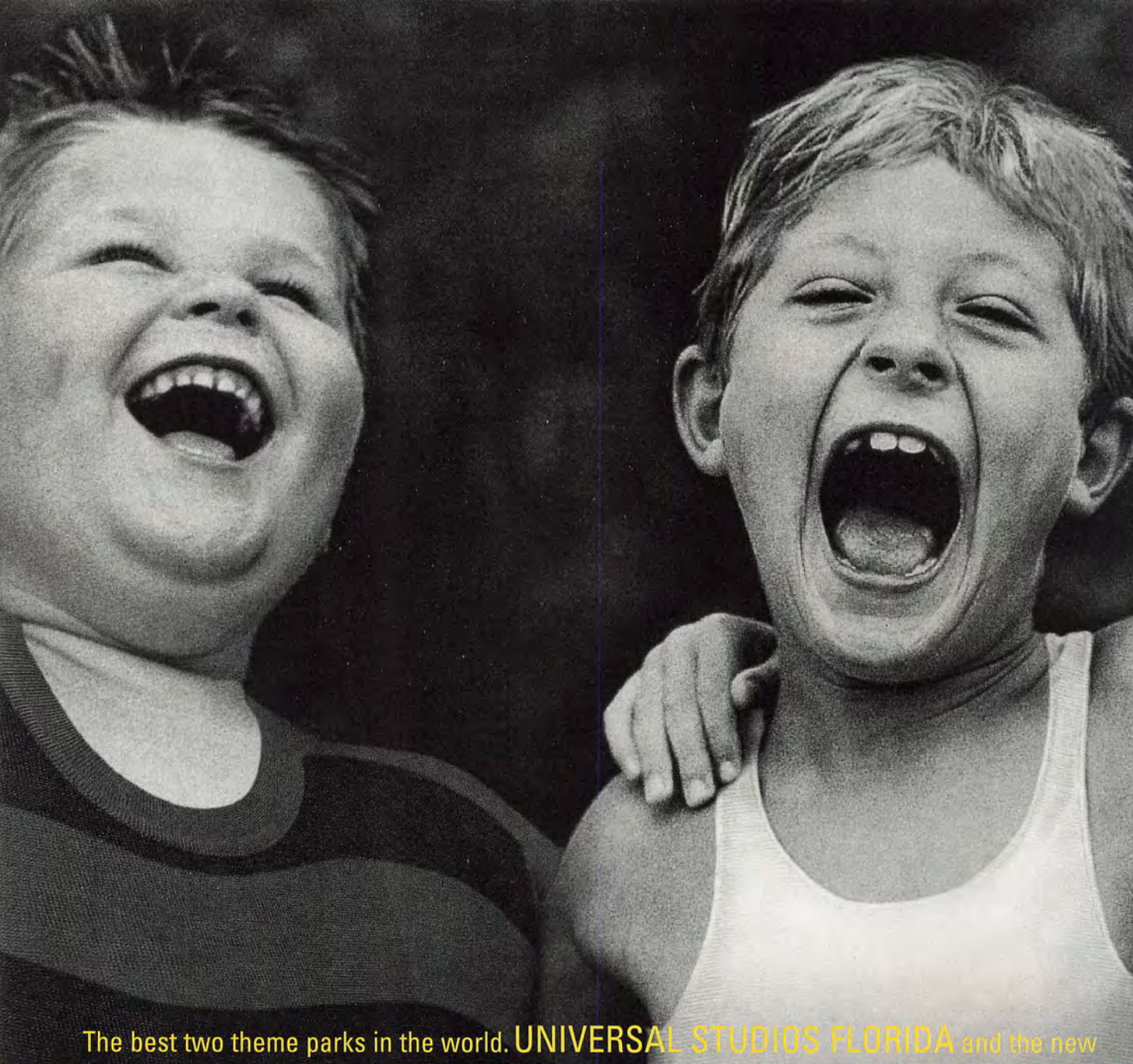
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# THE 50 GREATEST SPORTS FIGURES FROM OREGON

THERE'S A difference between loyalty to the home team—athletes imported to play for our local colleges and pro franchises—and the deep emotional bond we share with hometown heroes, the local legends we knew back when. They are the boys and girls from next door, or the next town. We watched them grow up, watched them play when it was still play. Unfortunately, these luminaries are almost inevitably dispersed because of sport's mercenary nature, lured away by scholarships or contracts. Well, we're bringing 'em all back home for the millennium—not necessarily to where they were born, but to where they first showed flashes of the greatness to come. Thus, Broadway Joe is in Pennsylvania, not Alabama or New York; and the Mailman is in Louisiana, not Utah. The result: the top 50 from your state and, on the following pages, a list of those from all 50 states. In short, the ultimate home teams.

#1

**Danny Ainge**

EUGENE

All-America in baseball, basketball and football at North Eugene High; spent 14 seasons in NBA, parts of three with Blue Jays; scratch golfer.

#2

**Steve Prefontaine**

COOS BAY

Three-time NCAA cross-country champion at Oregon; at time of his death, at 24, held every U.S. record from 2,000 to 10,000 meters.

#3

**Don Schollander**

LAKE OSWEGO

Won 100-meter freestyle, 400 freestyle, 4 × 100 relay, 4 × 200 relay at 1964 Olympics.

#4

**Terry Baker**

PORTLAND

Won state titles in baseball, basketball and football at Jefferson High; 1962 Heisman Trophy winner at Oregon State.

#5

**Bob Lilly**

PENDLETON

Defensive lineman went to 11 Pro Bowls with Cowboys from 1961 to '74; played in two Super Bowls.

#6

**Mel Renfro**

PORTLAND

Ten-time Pro Bowl player had 52 interceptions and 2,246 kickoff-return yards from 1964 to '77.

#7

**Larry Mahan**

SALEM

Six-time all-around world rodeo champion; in 1967 won all-around and bull-riding titles, placed third in saddle broncs and fourth in bareback.

#8

**Dale Murphy**

PORTLAND

Braves' two-time NL MVP averaged 162 games, 174 hits, 36 homers, 110 RBIs, 28 stolen bases with a .291 BA from 1982 through '84.

#9

**Dick Fosbury**

PORTLAND

Revolutionized high jump at Medford High by developing back-first Fosbury Flop; won gold medal at 1968 Olympics with world record of 7' 4½".

#10

**Dan O'Brien**

KLAMATH FALLS

Set world record in decathlon in 1992; won Olympic gold in '96.

#11

**Dave Wilcox**

VALE

Two-way lineman at Oregon; five-time All-Pro linebacker with 49ers.

#12

**Phil Knight**

PORTLAND

Three-time track letterman at Oregon; Nike founder and CEO revolutionized athletic-apparel industry.

#13

**Terrell Brandon**

PORTLAND

Grant High star led Pac-10 in scoring and steals as junior at Oregon in 1990–91; two-time NBA All-Star.

#14

**Mickey Lolich**

PORTLAND

Former batboy for minor league Portland Beavers threw three complete-game wins for Tigers in 1968 World Series; 217–191 over 16 years in majors.

#15

**Bill Johnson**

SANDY

1984 Olympic gold medalist in downhill was first American to win a World Cup race.

#16

**George Shaw**

PORTLAND

At Oregon, led nation in interceptions as a freshman and in total offense as a senior; No. 1 pick in 1955 NFL draft.

#17

**A.C. Green**

PORTLAND

State basketball player of the year at Benson Polytechnic (1980–81); holds NBA mark for consecutive games played.

#18

**Joe Gordon**

PORTLAND

Nine-time All-Star second baseman played in six World Series, five with Yankees; batted career-high .322 and was AL MVP in 1942.

#19

**Neil Lomax**

LAKE OSWEGO

Portland State QB set 90 Division I-AA records; All-Pro with Cardinals in 1984 and '87.

#20

**Marshall Holman**

MEDFORD

Has 22 PBA tour wins, including two U.S. Opens and two Tournaments of Champions.

#21

**Les Gutchess**

MEDFORD

Two-time NCAA wrestling champion at Oregon State; won 1999 Pan Am Games, World Cup and Yasar Dogu at 187 pounds.

#22

**Tonya Harding**

MILWAUKIE

1991 and '94 U.S. figure skating champion.

#23

**Todd Christensen**

EUGENE

All-league centerfielder and All-America point guard at Eugene High; five-time Pro Bowl tight end with Raiders.

#24

**Arnie Weinmeister**

PORTLAND

Giants defensive end was a four-time All-NFL pick from 1950 to '53; played in league's first four Pro Bowls.

#25

**Damon Stoudamire**

PORTLAND

Two-time All-America guard at Arizona, second in career assists; 1995–96 NBA Rookie of the Year with Toronto.



**#26**

**Dave Husted**

MILWAUKIE

Has won 13 PBA events and three U.S. Opens; only bowler to have won consecutive Opens (1995 and '96).

**#27**

**Bill Bowerman**

PORTLAND

Oregon track coach (1948-72) had 117-20 record in dual meets; developed waffle-soled running shoes; Nike cofounder.

**#28**

**Carol Menken-Schaudt**

JEFFERSON

First Oregon State women's basketball All-America; member of gold-medal-winning 1984 Olympic basketball team.

**#29**

**Joni Huntley**

SHERIDAN

Set U.S. indoor (6' 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ ") and outdoor (6' 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") high jump records; won bronze medal at 1984 Olympics.

**#30**

**Steve Jones**

FRANKLIN

Averaged 22.1 points, 3.6 rebounds per game for Memphis Pros of ABA in 1970-71; three-time ABA All-Star, two-time NBA All-Star.

**#31**

**Mel Counts**

COOS BAY

Oregon State's two-time All-America was member of 1964 Olympic team and two NBA title teams, the '64 and '66 Celtics.

**#32**

**Chris Miller**

EUGENE

Broke 13 school passing records at Oregon; now playing for Broncos.

**#33**

**Peter Jacobsen**

PORTLAND

Has six PGA Tour victories; won twice and earned more than \$1 million in 1995; member of '85 and '95 U.S. Ryder Cup teams.

**#34**

**Jean Saubert**

LAKEVIEW

Won two medals at 1964 Olympics; tied for a silver medal in giant slalom and won bronze in slalom.

**#35**

**Howard (Hobby) Hobson**

PORTLAND

Captain of Oregon basketball and baseball teams; coached Ducks to 1939 NCAA hoops title, PCC crowns in '37, '38, '39.

**#36**

**Mac Wilkins**

EUGENE

Won state discus championship in 1969 at Beaverton High; won gold medal with Olympic record in the discus in '76.

**#37**

**Vic Sears**

ASHWOOD

All-America tackle at Oregon State in 1940 averaged 50 minutes per game as two-way player in NFL from 1941 to '49.

**#38**

**Laddie Gale**

OAKRIDGE

Basketball star at Oregon from 1936 to '39; twice led conference in scoring; All-America in 1939.

**#39**

**Amory Gill**

SALEM

All-state in basketball at Salem High; as coach at Oregon State (1929-64) led Beavers to five PCC championships.

**#40**

**Johnny Pesky**

PORTLAND

Red Sox shortstop was AL's top rookie in 1942, with .331 average and league-high 205 hits.

**#41**

**Bill Smith**

PORTLAND

Two-time NCAA wrestling champion at 165 pounds for Northern Iowa; won 1952 Olympic gold medal.

**#42**

**Rick Sanders**

LAKEVIEW

Won 1966 and '67 NCAA championships as 115-pound wrestler at Portland State; two-time Olympic silver medalist.

**#43**

**Ken Williams**

GRANTS PASS

Fourteen-year major league outfielder had career year in 1922, leading AL with 39 home runs and 155 RBIs.

**#44**

**Margaret Dobson**

PORTLAND

Second baseman competed in nine world softball tournaments, setting record with .615 average in 1950 event.

**#45**

**Scott Brosius**

McMINNVILLE

Linfield College grad and Yankees third baseman won 1998 World Series MVP award after hitting .471 with six RBIs.

**#46**

**Charlie Sitton**

McMINNVILLE

All-state basketball player three times at McMinnville High; led Oregon State to three Pac-10 titles.

**#47**

**Roosty Teuber**

PORTLAND

At age 12 won silver medal in three-meter springboard dive at 1928 Olympics; won gold in high platform diving at '32 and '36 Games.

**#48**

**Larry Jansen**

VERBOORT

Giants righthander twice won 20 games, including NL-high 23 in 1951.

**#49**

**Harold Reynolds**

EUGENE

In 1987 became first Mariners player to lead AL in an offensive category by stealing 60 bases.

**#50**

**Katy Steding**

LAKE OSWEGO

Star forward for Stanford's 1990 NCAA championship women's basketball team won gold medal at '96 Olympics.



**#2 Steve Prefontaine**



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## THE 50 GREATEST SPORTS FIGURES OF THE CENTURY FROM EACH OF THE 50 STATES

To see more on the top sports figures from all 50 states, and an alphabetical list of all 2,500, go to [cnnsi.com/si\\_online](http://cnnsi.com/si_online).

### ALABAMA

1. **Hank Aaron** Alltime home run king
2. **Willie Mays** Baseball's Say Hey Kid
3. **Bo Jackson** NFL All-Pro and baseball All-Star
4. **Ozzie Newsome** Browns' titanic tight end
5. **Willie McCovey** NL MVP in 1969
6. **Satchel Paige** Ageless pitching great
7. **John Hannah** Best offensive lineman ever?
8. **Bart Starr** Leader of Lombardi's dynasty
9. **Charles Barkley** Auburn great became NBA great
10. **Early Wynn** 1959 Cy Young winner
11. **Buck Buchanan** Chiefs' star defensive tackle
12. **John Stallworth** Steelers' greatest wideout
13. **Ken Stabler** All-state in football and hoops in HS
14. **Joe Sewell** 114 strikeouts in 7,132 at bats
15. **Shug Jordan** Auburn's winningest coach
16. **Lee Roy Jordan** Anchor of Doomsday Defense
17. **Maxie Baughan** Named to nine Pro Bowls
18. **Joe Cribbs** Auburn's third-leading rusher
19. **Bobby Bowden** Built Florida State football
20. **Davey Allison** NASCAR's 1987 rookie of the year
21. **Jennifer Chandler** Diving gold in 1976
22. **Billy Williams** 13 straight 20-homer seasons
23. **Harvey Glance** Sprinter on three Olympic teams
24. **Sanders Russell** 1,243 harness-racing victories

25. **Percy Beard** Silver in hurdles at 1932 Olympics
26. **Bobby Marlow** All-America halfback at 'Bama
27. **Mel Allen** Voice of the New York Yankees
28. **Howard Hill** Won 196 straight archery events
29. **Fred Sington** Football, baseball star at 'Bama
30. **Sam Byrd** New York Yankee turned pro golfer
31. **Hubert Green** 19 PGA Tour victories
32. **Charley Boswell** Blind golfer won 16 U.S. titles
33. **Robert Brazile** Oilers' star linebacker in 1970s
34. **Pat Sullivan** Auburn's first Heisman winner
35. **Heinie Manush** Hit .330 over 17 seasons
36. **Johnny Mack Brown** 'Bama Rose Bowl hero
37. **Harry Gilmer** Triple threat QB at Alabama
38. **Jo Ann Prentice** Six wins on LPGA tour
39. **Dixie Walker** Lifetime .306 hitter
40. **Johnny Musso** Tide's third alltime rusher
41. **Riggs Stephenson** Hit .336 over 14 seasons
42. **Leah Marie Rawls Atkins** Waterskiing champ
43. **Vince Dooley** Georgia coach won national title
44. **Piper Davis** Globetrotter and Negro leagues star
45. **Jeff Beard** Auburn AD from 1951 to '72
46. **Zeke Smith** 1958 Outland Trophy winner
47. **Andrew Toney** Two-time NBA All-Star
48. **James Phillips** End on Auburn's 1957 title team
49. **Rudy York** 277 home runs over 13 seasons
50. **Ben Chapman** Yankees speed demon in 1930s

### ALASKA

1. **Trajan Langdon** Put state on national hoops map
2. **Tommy Moe** Won 1994 Olympic downhill
3. **George Attila** Famed dog trainer, sprint musher
4. **Hilary Lindh** Downhiller was three-time Olympian
5. **Susan Butcher** Four Iditarod victories
6. **David Morris** Holds U.S. marathon record
7. **Roxy Wright Champaine** Great sprint musher
8. **Mark Schlereth** Winner of three Super Bowls
9. **Don Clary** All-America cross-country runner
10. **Brit Jacobson** Basketball and track champ
11. **Rick Swenson** A record five Iditarod titles
12. **Libby Riddles** First woman to win Iditarod
13. **Tony Turner** Twice all-state in basketball
14. **Reggie Tongue** Four years with the K.C. Chiefs
15. **Rocky Klever** First Alaskan in the NFL
16. **Molly Tuter** High school hoops standout
17. **Brandon Drumm** Nine TDs in high school game
18. **Joe Reddington Sr.** Founder of the Iditarod
19. **Steve MacSwain** HS hockey scoring champ
20. **Mike Vania** Collegiate wrestling All-America
21. **Scott Gomez** Devils rookie one of NHL's best
22. **Shane Bonham** Colts defensive end
23. **Brian Swanson** Colorado College hockey star
24. **Marshall Boze** First Alaskan in majors, in 1995

25. **Wilbur Hooks** Four state sprint titles in 1997
26. **Nina Kemppel** Olympic cross-country skier
27. **Carlos Boozer** Followed Langdon to Duke
28. **Megan Gerety** Two U.S. downhill titles in 1990s
29. **Seth Spidahl** Pacific Lutheran soccer standout
30. **Kris Thorsness** Rower won gold in 1984
31. **Judy Rabinowitz** U.S. cross-country ski champ
32. **Tom Neville** NFL guard from 1986 to '92
33. **Doug Herron** State HS record for 800 meters
34. **DeeDee Jonrowe** Mashed in 16 Iditarods
35. **Jim Hajdukovich** UA-Anchorage hoops star
36. **Vern Tejas** Climbed Mount McKinley solo
37. **Butch Lincoln** Eskimo basketball star
38. **Jeanie Hebert** Career assist leader at Miami
39. **Jeff King** Three-time Iditarod champ
40. **Matt Mattson** 106-1 record as HS wrestler
41. **John Brown** Four state hoops titles, 1964 to '68
42. **Jason Kaiser** 1,363 points at UA-Anchorage
43. **Megan Irvine** Four-year volleyballer at Duke
44. **Bill Spencer** Won eight Mount Marathon races
45. **Mao Tosi** Played hoops and football at Idaho
46. **Tom Roth** Cal State-Bakersfield swimming star
47. **Leisa Wissler** Ohio State volleyball standout
48. **David Kilpatrick** Linebacker at Washington
49. **Dewey Skan** Amateur basketball star
50. **Tony Reed** Twice HS hoops player of the year



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## ARIZONA

**Jim Palmer** Three-time Cy Young winner

**Charlie Hickcox** Swam to four medals in 1968

**Curley Culp** Star defensive lineman and wrestler

**Michele Mitchell** Nine-time U.S. diving champ

**Ty Murray** Six world rodeo titles

**Randall McDaniel** All-America guard at ASU

**Sean Elliott** Left Arizona as Pac-10's top scorer

**Danny White** College football Hall of Famer

**Louis Tewanima** Silver in 1912 Olympic 10,000

**Bob Baffert** Leading horse trainer last three years

**Curt Schilling** 319 strikeouts for Phils in 1997

**Marilyn Ramenofsky-Wingfield** Swimming champ

**Michael Carbajal** 48-4 career boxing record

**John Denny** Cy Young winner in 1983

**Lafayette (Fat) Lever** Two-time NBA All-Star

**Kerri Strug** Clinched gymnastics gold in 1996

**Jim Grabb** Two singles, 20 ATP doubles titles

**Jon Cole** Three-time Olympic weightlifter

**Jerry Colangelo** Suns, Diamondbacks owner

**Wilford White** NCAA rushing leader in 1950

**Mike Pagel** NFL vet, played baseball at ASU too

**Dwayne Evans** Sprinter took bronze in Montreal

**Darren Woodson** Four-time All-Pro with Cowboys

**Tom Pagnozzi** 1992 All-Star catcher with Cards

**Win Young** Diver landed bronze in Mexico City

**Fred Carr** Packers' backer was Super Bowl MVP

**Michael Bates** Olympic sprinter and NFL All-Pro

**Rodney Peete** Drafted by Lions and A's

**Danny Villa** ASU alum played 12 years in NFL

**Jimmy Bryan** 1958 Indy 500 champion

**Hank Leibert** All-Star outfielder in 1938, '40, '41

**Mossy Cade** HS track and football All-America

**Patsy Willard** Diver won bronze at 1964 Olympics

**Cecil Mulleneaux** First Arizonan in NFL, in 1932

**Carl Mulleneaux** Three-sport star at Utah State

**Bob Horner** NL Rookie of the Year in 1978

**Billy Mayfair** Five wins in 11 years on PGA Tour

**Keith Russell** Diving demon in late 1960s and '70s

**Louie Espinoza** Junior featherweight champ

**Mike Bibby** Led Arizona to 1997 NCAA hoops title

**Billy Hatcher** Hit .750 for Reds in 1990 Series

**Ron Hassey** 86 RBIs for 1974 Sun Devils

**Howard Twitty** 24 years on the PGA Tour

**Mark Alarie** Basketball All-America at Duke

**Gilbert (Gib) Dawson** Star HS back in 1940s

**Vance Johnson** One of Broncos' Three Amigos

**Byron Evans** Eagles linebacker for eight years

**Alex Kellner** 20-12 as rookie with A's in 1949

**Eddie Urbano** Twice All-America wrestler at ASU

**Rob Waldrop** Won Outland Trophy in 1993

## ARKANSAS

**Paul (Bear) Bryant** Four states could claim him

**Sonny Liston** Heavyweight was 50-4-0 as pro

**Bill Dickey** Soul of Yankees in 1930s and '40s

**Scottie Pippen** One of the NBA's alltime top 50

**Brooks Robinson** 16 Gold Gloves at the hot corner

**Dizzy Dean** Ace of the Gas House Gang

**Sidney Moncrief** Five-time NBA All-Star

**Don Hutson** Possibly the best receiver ever

**Barry Switzer** Champion coach in college and NFL

**George Kell** Lifetime .306 hitter

**Frank Broyles** 144 wins as Arkansas grid coach

**Nolan Richardson** Led Hogs to 1994 hoops title

**Bill Carr** 400-meter gold at 1932 Olympics

**Jerry Jones** Arkansas alum made good

**John McDonnell** 34 NCAA titles as track coach

**Hazel Walker** Hoops star from 1933 to '65

**Johnny Sain** 24 wins for Braves in 1948

**John Daly** PGA title in 1991, British Open in '95

**Bobby Mitchell** Hurdler became NFL star

**Joan Crawford** AAU All-America in basketball

**Willie Davis** Anchor of Packers' defensive line

**Ken Hatfield** Twice led nation in punt returns

**Mark Martin** 17 seasons on NASCAR circuit

**Corliss Williamson** Star of Hogs' 1994 title team

**Travis Jackson** Hit over .300 six times for Giants

**Wilson Matthews** Coached 10 HS football champs

**Ron Brewer** Triplet played eight years in NBA

**Fred Williams** Defensive tackle in four Pro Bowls

**Bettye Fiscus** Razorbacks' first female hoops star

**Clyde (Smackover) Scott** 1940s multisport star

**Reece (Goose) Tatum** Harlem Globetrotter

**Don Kessinger** Six-time NL All-Star with Cubs

**Cliff Harris** Five Super Bowls, five Pro Bowls

**Paul Runyan** PGA winner in 1934 and '38

**Dan Hampton** All-America defensive tackle

**Eddie Hamm** Set world long jump record in 1928

**Paul (Daffy) Dean** Won 19 in Cards' 1934 title year

**Caldwell Jones** 14 seasons in the NBA

**Jim Benton** Led NCAA in receptions in 1937

**Earl Bell** Bronze in pole vault at 1984 Olympics

**Dutch Harrison** Won 18 PGA tournaments

**Keith Jackson** Tight end played in five Pro Bowls

**Thomas Freeman** Welterweight was 155-18-12

**Billy Ray Smith Sr.** Stellar defensive lineman

**Ken Kavanaugh** Scored on 50 of 162 receptions

**Wear Schoonover** All-America at end in 1929

**Elijah Pitts** Won five titles with Green Bay

**Marvin Delph** Third Triplet led Hogs in scoring

**Monte Coleman** LB with three Super Bowl rings

**Amber Nicholas** Stalwart Arkansas point guard

## CALIFORNIA

**Joe DiMaggio** 56 games . . . three-time MVP . . .

**Jackie Robinson** Changed baseball forever

**Bill Russell** Five-time NBA MVP, center of Celtics

**Mark Spitz** Seven world records in Munich

**Ted Williams** Best hitter (and fisherman) ever

**Pete Sampras** 12 Grand Slam singles titles

**Tony Gwynn** Eight batting titles, 3,067 hits

**John Elway** Winningest QB in NFL history

**Pete Rozelle** Built NFL into cultural force

**Marcus Allen** 1981 Heisman winner from USC

**Duke Snider** Dodgers' seven-time All-Star

**Anthony Muñoz** Perennial All-Pro with Bengals

**Tiger Woods** 15 PGA Tour wins in four years

**Jack Kramer** They even named a racket after him

**Greg LeMond** Won Tour de France three times

**Helen Wills Moody** 19 Grand Slam titles

**Bob Mathias** 1948 and '52 decathlon champ

**Barry Bonds** 400 homers and 400 steals

**Billie Jean King** Helped ignite the tennis boom

**Florence Griffith Joyner** Three golds in Seoul

**Greg Louganis** Swept diving gold in 1984 and '88

**Mark McGwire** 70 home runs in 1998

**Bill Walton** Thrice college player of the year

**Rafer Johnson** Took decathlon gold in Rome

**Frank Gifford** All-America at USC, NFL MVP

**Tom Seaver** 311 wins, three Cy Young Awards

**Peggy Fleming** Figure skating champ, 1966 to '68

**Don Budge** Grand Slam winner in 1938

**Frank Robinson** Won MVP in both leagues

**Don Drysdale** 58 $\frac{2}{3}$  scoreless innings in 1958

**Gino Marchetti** 10 Pro Bowls with Colts

**Cheryl Miller** Led high school to 132-4 record

**Norm van Brocklin** NFL passing leader three times

**Jim Hines** First to run 100 meters under 10 seconds

**Joe Morgan** Second baseman was twice MVP

**Glenn Davis** Doc's partner won 1946 Heisman

**Pancho Gonzales** Twice U.S. tennis champ

**O.J. Simpson** Ran for 2,003 yards in 1973

**Maureen Connolly** Grand Slam winner in 1953

**Willie Shoemaker** Won 11 Triple Crown races

**Bob Lemon** Five 20-win seasons for Indians

**Janet Evans** Three swimming golds in Seoul

**Karch Kiraly** Greatest volleyball player ever

**Tommie Smith** Set seven sprint world marks

**Mickey Wright** Won 82 women's pro golf titles

**Dennis Eckersley** 150 wins and 300 saves

**Bob Waterfield** NFL MVP in 1945 and '50

**Rickey Henderson** Alltime steals leader

**Matt Biondi** 11 swimming medals in three Olympics

**Eddie Mathews** 512 home runs from 1952 to '68

## COLORADO

**Jack Dempsey** Heavyweight champ, 1919 to '26

**Byron (Whizzer) White** Running back supreme

**Amy Van Dyken** Four swimming medals in Atlanta

**Glenn Morris** Decathlon champ at 1936 Olympics

**Hale Irwin** Star defensive back turned golf great

**Jack Christiansen** Twice NFL interception leader

**Ed (Dutch) Clark** Rushed for 763 yards in 1934

**Pat Day** Ridden winners in eight Triple Crown races

**Eddie Eagan** Winter and summer gold medalist

**Rich (Goose) Gossage** Eight-time All-Star

**Dave Logan** Buffaloes alum drafted in three sports

**Dick Anderson** Nine years in Dolphins defense

**Joe Romig** Two-way lineman was Rhodes scholar

**Tom Chambers** 18.1 average in 16 years in NBA

**Bobby Anderson** Colorado All-America tailback

**Hayes Alan Jenkins** Figure skating gold in 1956

**David Jenkins** Figure skating gold in 1960

**Steve Jones** 1996 U.S. Open golf champion

**Scott Wedman** Straight shooter with K.C. Kings

**Tony Boselli** Three-time All-Pro with Jaguars

**Phyllis Lockwood** Basketball and tennis star

**William Thayer Tutt** Brought USOC to Colorado

**John Stearns** Four-time All-Star as Mets catcher

**Bill Marolt** Ski coach now CEO of U.S. Ski

**Don Cockroft** Consistent kicker for Browns

**Wallace (Buddy) Werner** Top U.S. skier

**Chauncey Billups** Onetime Buffalo now Nugget

**Danny Jackson** 23-8 for Reds in 1988

**Barney McLean** Captain of U.S. ski team in 1948

**Dale Douglass** Won 1986 U.S. Senior Open

**Young Corbett II** Featherweight champ, 1901 to '02

**Bridget Turner** Colorado hoops star, 1985 to '87

**Pat Porter** Eight-time U.S. cross-country champ

**Thurman (Fum) McGraw** All-America tackle

**Charles Bresnahan** 16 letters at Colorado State

**Joel Steed** Steelers nosetackle since 1993

**Davis Phinney** Bronze in 1984 Olympic cycling

**Tom Rouen** Colorado, CSU, Broncos punter

**Irv Brown** Reffed in six Final Fours

**Bruce Ford** Five titles as bareback-bronc rider

**Chuck Darling** 1956 Olympic hoops gold medalist

**Tippy Martinez** 115 saves in the majors

**Eddie Dove** All-NFL in 1961 as 49er

**Bob Howsam** G.M. of Big Red Machine

**Greg Myers** Colorado State star defensive back

**Adam Berry** National high jump champ in 1941

**Art Unger** Three-sport letterman at Colorado

**Cullen Bryant** Colorado DB became NFL RB

**Gordy Wren** Alpine and Nordic Olympian in 1948

**Greeley Timothy** 16 dropkicks in one HS game



## CONNECTICUT

**Jenner** Won decathlon at 1976 Olympics  
**Young** Top-rated passer in NFL history  
**Murphy** NBA season free throw record  
**Lilly** World Cup-winning midfielder  
**Orury** Little League phenom, NHL rookie star  
**Jedgers** Leading marathoner of 1970s  
**Pop** Featherweight champ (229-11-1)  
**Little** Five Pro Bowls with Broncos  
**Valentine** Three-time football all-stater  
**Hamill** Skating queen at 1976 Olympics  
**Leetch** Rangers' high-scoring defenseman  
**Jagwell** 1994 National League MVP  
**aker** Four-time NBA All-Star  
**Joyce** Flame-throwing softball pitcher  
**Murray** Century's preeminent sportswriter  
**izzotti** UConn's career assists leader  
**ughn** American League MVP in 1995  
**er Camp** College football patriarch  
**on Starling** Welterweight champion  
**Remigino** Two sprint golds at 1952 Games  
**us Camby** Second pick in 1998 NBA draft  
**sha Sales** UConn's alltime leading scorer  
**s Boros** Won 18 PGA tournaments  
**oomey** Olympic decathlon gold in 1968  
**Gminski** Duke's alltime leading rebounder  
**Drope** AL Rookie of the Year in 1950  
**Robustelli** Giants' Pro Bowl defensive end  
**Blass** World Series MVP in 1971  
**ael Adams** 13-year NBA shooting guard  
**Drabowsky** 0.90 ERA in three World Series  
**y Williams** First Minnesota football coach  
**les Nagy** Five straight 15-win seasons  
**ny Piersall** Gold Glove centerfielder  
**Tronsky** Dominant duckpin bowler  
**Brogna** Phillies run-producing first baseman  
**ey Wood** Fixture in tennis's Top 10  
**les Smith** Big East hoops player of the year  
**Mieczko** Won gold with 1998 hockey team  
**Mahorn** Had 19-year NBA career  
**alter Kennedy** NBA's second commissioner  
**ge Weiss** Architect of Yankees dynasty  
**s Smith** UConn men's career scoring leader  
**t Burrell** First-rounder in baseball, basketball  
**Dibble** Overpowering Reds closer  
**ene Robinson** Active NFL interceptions leader  
**n Bagley** Cavaliers' first-round pick in 1982  
**s Booth** Yale football star from 1929 to '31  
**Strong** Retired in 1947 as NFL's leading scorer  
**n Williamson** Won two ABA titles with Nets  
**Romanowski** Has four Super Bowl rings

## DELAWARE

**Randy White** Nine Pro Bowls with Cowboys  
**Judy Johnson** Negro leagues star in 1930s  
**Delino DeShields** 393 steals in 10 seasons  
**Harold (Tubby) Raymond** Delaware grid coach  
**Victor Willis** Eight-time 20-game winner  
**Margaret Osborne DuPont** Wimbledon champ  
**Val Whiting** Hoops All-America at Stanford  
**Steve Watson** Broncos All-Pro receiver  
**Vicki Huber** Eight-time NCAA track champion  
**Mike Hall** Won five world powerlifting titles  
**Dave Nelson** Delaware football coach in 1950s  
**Ed (Porky) Oliver** Eight PGA Tour wins  
**Dallas Green** Managed Phillies to World Series win  
**Frank Masley** Three-time Olympian in luge  
**Dionna Harris** Won Olympic softball gold in 1996  
**William McGowan** AL umpire from 1925 to '54  
**Audie Kujala Showalter** Delaware softball star  
**Creighton Miller** Notre Dame All-America halfback  
**Franklin Shakespeare** Won Olympic rowing gold  
**Dave May** Major league outfielder for 12 years  
**Ron Waller** Rams All-Pro running back in 1955  
**Ed Michaels** Villanova's best offensive lineman  
**Jimmy Caras** Four-time world pool champion  
**Vic Zwolak** Twice NCAA steeplechase champion  
**Bill Bruton** Led NL in steals three times  
**Terence Stansbury** First Delawarean in NBA  
**Conway Hayman** All-America offensive guard  
**George Schollenberger** HS football coach  
**Chris Short** Won 17 games for 1964 Phillies  
**Tim Wilson** Spent six years as Oilers running back  
**Derrick May** Hit .271 in 10 major league seasons  
**John Wockenfuss** Tigers' catcher and outfielder  
**Lou Brooks** Won more than 100 amateur fights  
**Jamie Duncan** Vandy All-America, Bucs linebacker  
**Rosemary Y. Miller** Eight state trapshooting titles  
**Madge Vosters** Squash star in 1940s and '50s  
**Laron Profit** Maryland hoops star, Wizards guard  
**R.R.M. (Bob) Carpenter** Phils owner, 1943 to '72  
**John Wilcutts** 1,755 wins as harness-racing driver  
**Mary Ann Hitchens** Delaware field hockey coach  
**Luke Pettigout** Star lineman at Notre Dame  
**Rita Justice** Top 10 bowler in 1960s and '70s  
**Bill Collick** Delaware State football coach  
**Dave Tiberi** Ranked middleweight  
**Dexter Boney** Thrice a basketball all-stater  
**Patsy Hahn** State's best female junior golfer  
**Lennell Shepherd** Junior weightlifting champ  
**Milton Roberts** Delaware lacrosse cofounder  
**Arthur Redden** Won Pan Am Games boxing gold  
**Spencer Dundley** Delaware center from 1989 to '93

## FLORIDA

**Deion Sanders** Prime Time  
**Emmitt Smith** NFL leader in rushing touchdowns  
**Steve Carlton** Four-time Cy Young winner  
**Chris Evert** Unflappable baseline tennis great  
**Bob Hayes** Two Olympic golds, three Pro Bowls  
**Rowdy Gaines** Set 14 swimming world records  
**Deacon Jones** Bashed QBs, coined term *sack*  
**Doris Hart** Won 35 Grand Slam tennis titles  
**Kurt Thomas** Won gymnastics world title in 1978  
**Wade Boggs** Hit .300 in 15 of 18 seasons  
**Artis Gilmore** 11-time ABA and NBA All-Star  
**Tim Lincecum** Fifth on alltime stolen base list  
**Nancy Hogshead** Three Olympic swimming golds  
**Ted Hendricks** Eight-time Pro Bowl defensive end  
**Mitch Richmond** NBA Rookie of the Year in 1989  
**Michael Irvin** Cowboys' alltime leading receiver  
**Jim Courier** French and Australian Open champ  
**Andre Dawson** National League MVP in 1987  
**Anthony Carter** NCAA all-purpose yards leader  
**George Mira** All-America Miami quarterback  
**Bobby Allison** Won 84 NASCAR events  
**John Pennel** Two-time Olympian pole vaulter  
**Dwight Gooden** Doctor K  
**Pete Pihos** Eagles end in 1940s and '50s  
**Don (Big Daddy) Garlits** Drag racing king  
**David Duval** Eight PGA Tour wins in two years  
**Alex Rodriguez** Wunderkind shortstop  
**Arnold Tucker** Army backfield star in 1940s  
**Harold Carmichael** Four-time Pro Bowl wideout  
**Jose Canseco** Baseball's first 40-40 man  
**Warren Sapp** Fearsome defensive lineman  
**Steve Garvey** NL ironman, Gold Glove winner  
**Gardnar Mulloy** Won four U.S. doubles titles  
**Rafael Palmeiro** Big slugging numbers in 1990s  
**Ottis Anderson** Six 1,000-yard NFL seasons  
**Wes Chandler** Deep threat in Air Coryell  
**Al Lopez** Hall of Fame catcher and manager  
**Larry Little** Dolphins All-Pro offensive lineman  
**Boog Powell** 1970 AL MVP, 339 career homers  
**Dot Richardson** Led U.S. to softball gold in 1996  
**Nat Moore** Florida rushing, Dolphins receiving star  
**Cris Collinsworth** Bengals Pro Bowl receiver  
**Chipper Jones** 1999 National League MVP  
**Jack Youngblood** 201 straight games for Rams  
**Rick Casares** Bears' third-leading alltime rusher  
**Derrick Thomas** Made nine Pro Bowls in 10 years  
**Herb Score** 36 wins in first two years with Indians  
**Glenn (Fireball) Roberts** 32 NASCAR victories  
**Willie Gailimore** Florida A & M, Bears rushing star  
**Don Sutton** Hall of Famer, with 324 wins

## GEORGIA

**Ty Cobb** Baseball's best lifetime average (.366)  
**Herschel Walker** Heisman winner, NFL star  
**Bobby Jones** Golf Grand Slam winner in 1930  
**Fran Tarkenton** Mobile and durable quarterback  
**Walt (Clyde) Frazier** Knick won two NBA titles  
**Gwen Torrence** Took three Olympic track golds  
**Wyomia Tyus** Won back-to-back 100-meter golds  
**Johnny Mize** 359 homers, 10 All-Star Games  
**Mel Blount** Mainstay of Steel Curtain secondary  
**Roger Kingdom** Won two Olympic hurdles golds  
**George Rogers** Heisman winner in 1980  
**Bill Terry** Last in NL to hit .400, in 1930  
**Frank Thomas** Hits for average and power  
**Alice Coachman Davis** High jump gold in 1948  
**Kevin Brown Majors** best ERA from 1996 to '98  
**Norm Nixon** Twice an NBA All-Star guard  
**Louise Suggs** Founding member of the LPGA  
**Luke Appling** Hit .300 16 times in 20 years  
**James Brooks** Bengals' alltime leading rusher  
**Teresa Edwards** Has four Olympic hoops medals  
**Willie Gault** Sprinter, bobsledder, NFL wideout  
**Bill Stanfill** Dolphins All-Pro defensive end  
**Dan Reeves** NFL's winningest active coach  
**Ray Guy** Seven-time Pro Bowl punter  
**Edith McGuire** Won 200-meter dash in 1964  
**Theodore (Tiger) Flowers** Middleweight champ  
**Charlie Ward** Won Heisman and national title  
**Ted Turner** America's Cup winner, Braves' boss  
**Dick (Cannonball) Redding** Negro leagues star  
**Bill Elliott** First driver to win Winston Million  
**Dale Ellis** Second on alltime NBA three-point list  
**Forrest (Spec) Towns** Won Olympic hurdling gold  
**Spurgeon (Spud) Chandler** 20-4, MVP in 1943  
**William Andrews** Four Pro Bowls as Falcons back  
**Richard Dent** Star of Bears 1986 defensive line  
**Paul Anderson** Won weightlifting gold in 1956  
**Steve Lundquist** Two swimming golds in 1984  
**Tim Flock** Two-time NASCAR champion  
**Bobby Walthour** Set 26 cycling world records  
**Larry Mize** 1987 Masters winner  
**Bobby Lee Bryant** Had 51 interceptions with Vikes  
**Rayfield Wright** Six-time Pro Bowl tackle  
**Jeff Malone** Twice an NBA All-Star guard  
**Bitsy Grant** Won three U.S. clay court titles  
**Clarence Scott** Browns defensive back, 1971 to '83  
**Cindy Brogdon** Three-time All-America forward  
**Tommy Aaron** 1973 Masters winner  
**Bucky Dent** All-Star shortstop, Red Sox killer  
**Mildred McDaniel** Won high jump gold in 1956  
**Doug Sanders** Had 20 PGA Tour wins



## HAWAII

**Duke Kahanamoku** Greatest Hawaiian swimmer

**Chad Rowan** Sumo grand champ, a.k.a. Akebono

**Clarence (Buster) Crabbe** Swimming gold in 1932

**Russ Francis** Three-time Pro Bowl tight end

**Mosi Tatupu** Special teams standout at USC

**Herman Wedemeyer** All-America running back

**Ford Konno** Swimming gold in 1952, silver in '56

**Warren Kealoha** Dominant backstroke in 1920s

**Derek Tatsuno** Set NCAA career knockout mark

**Sid Fernandez** Two-time All-Star pitcher

**Robyn Ah Mow** Hawaii volleyball All-America

**Robby Naish** Dominant pro boardsailer in 1980s

**Mike Lum** 103 career major league pinch hits

**Jesse Sapolu** Four Super Bowl wins with 49ers

**Adrian Murrell** Three-time 1,000-yard NFL rusher

**Tom Haine** U.S. volleyball captain at 1968 Games

**Jackie Pung** First Hawaiian on LPGA tour

**Mark Tuinei** Three Super Bowl rings with Dallas

**Jesse Kuhaulua** First foreigner to win sumo title

**Reil Sunn** Women's pro surfing tour pioneer

**Carl (Bobo) Olson** Middleweight champ in 1950s

**Wally Yonamine** Japanese baseball pioneer

**Dave Shoji** Top women's volleyball coach

**Kurt Gouveia** Super Bowl ring with 1987 Redskins

**Aileen Riggins-Soule** Diving gold at 1920 Olympics

**Garrett Gabriel** Record-setting Hawaii QB

**Derek Ho** Won pro surfing tour title in 1993

**Thomas Kaulukukui** All-America halfback in 1935

**Nani Cockett** HS hoops and volleyball champ

**Ted Makalena** First Hawaiian to win on PGA Tour

**Keala O'Sullivan** Diving bronze in 1968 Games

**Lenn Sakata** Major league infielder from 1977 to '87

**Bon Villafior** 44-5 as junior lightweight

**Red Rocha** First Hawaiian to join NBA, in 1947

**Peter Velasco** Alltime volleyball great

**Benny Agbayani** Mets' breakout rookie in 1999

**Rich Miano** Played 10 years at safety in NFL

**Cal Lee** Coach of 13 state HS football champs

**Pua Kealoha** Swam to two medals in 1920 Games

**Fred Hemmings** World surfing champ in 1968

**Salvador (Dado) Marino** World flyweight champ

**Nuu Faaola** Four seasons with Jets and Dolphins

**Traci Phillips** Three-time Olympic kayaker

**Charlie Ane** Lions two-time Pro Bowl tackle

**Brian Viloria** Amateur light flyweight champion

**Al Noga** Vikings defensive end from 1988 to '92

**Jim Nicholson** Six seasons as Chiefs tackle

**Rockne Freitas** Lions' two-time All-Pro tackle

**Alika Smith** Top three-point shooter at Hawaii

**David Ishii** Five top 10 finishes on PGA Tour

## IDAHO

**Harmon Killebrew** 573 homers, fifth alltime

**Jerry Kramer** Leader of the Pack's power sweep

**Picabo Street** Won Super G at 1998 Olympics

**Gary Stevens** Jockey has six Triple Crown wins

**Vern Law** 1960 Cy Young Award winner

**Larry Wilson** Cards' eight-time Pro Bowl safety

**Jake Plummer** QB led Cards to 1998 NFL playoffs

**Mike Young** 56-1 as wrestler at BYU

**Wayne Walker** Three-time Pro Bowl linebacker

**Merril Hoge** Idaho State, Steelers running back

**John Friesz** 10 straight 300-yard games at Idaho

**Larry Jackson** 194 wins in 14 big league seasons

**Jason Buck** 1986 Outland Trophy winner at BYU

**Andrea Lloyd** Won basketball gold at 1988 Games

**Doug Riesenberger** Nine years with NFL Giants

**Chris Owens** 123-0 as HS wrestler in 1980s

**Dean Oliver** Eight-time world calf-roping champ

**John Grant** Seven years Broncos defensive end

**Mike Garman** Pitched in majors for nine seasons

**Randy Trautman** Boise State football star

**Dee Pickett** 1984 world all-around rodeo champ

**Amber Welty** 1988 NCAA high jump champ

**Babe Caccia** Idaho State coaching legend

**Laverne Fator** Jockey won 143 races in 1926

**Corissa Yasen** 1996 NCAA heptathlon champion

**Davey Hamilton** Driven to 13 top five IRL finishes

**Rick Woods** 13 interceptions in NFL career

**David Archer** NFL quarterback for six seasons

**Brent Pease** Record-setting Montana QB in 1986

**Roland Woolsey** Played four years in NFL

**Kipp Bedard** Boise State All-America wideout

**Cedric Minter** Set Big Sky rushing record

**Babe Hickey** Three wins on PGA Tour in 1960s

**Dee Wilde** Dominant in indoor archery

**Andy Toolson** BYU's top three-point shooter

**Ray McDonald** Idaho back led nation in rushing

**Steve Hayes** Idaho State's alltime top rebounder

**Ed Jacoby** Stellar Boise State track coach

**John L. Smith** 1971 All-Big Sky QB at Weber State

**Teresa Spaulding** Won hoops gold at 1984 Games

**Brad White** NFL defensive lineman, 1981 to '87

**Clarence Edmundson** Legendary hoops coach

**Hal Espy** NCAA boxing champ in 1957 and '59

**Yo Murphy** Idaho All-America receiver in 1992

**Ken Hobart** 10,000 yards passing at Idaho

**Scott Auker** Idaho's All-Big Sky tight end

**Vic Kobe** 1953 NCAA 119-pound boxing champ

**Jane Chi** Won NCAA indoor tennis title in 1995

**Gary Simmons** All-America hoops player at Idaho

**Robbie Davis** Leading apprentice jockey in 1982

## ILLINOIS

**Jackie Joyner-Kersey** Won six Olympic medals

**George Halas** Patriarch of the NFL

**Dick Butkus** Illinois, Bears linebacker supreme

**Red Grange** Football's Galloping Ghost

**Bonnie Blair** Won five speed skating golds

**George Mikan** Made hoops a big man's game

**Jimmy Connors** Won eight Grand Slam events

**Isiah Thomas** Led Pistons to consecutive titles

**Otto Graham** QB took Browns to seven pro titles

**Ray Nitschke** Hard hitter was Packers' soul

**Dianne Holm** Won four speed skating medals

**Mark Aguirre** 1980 Naismith winner at DePaul

**Kellen Winslow** Caught 541 passes for Chargers

**Robin Roberts** Six-time 20-game winner

**Kirby Puckett** 10-time All-Star with Twins

**Johnny Weismuller** Swam to five Olympic golds

**Knut Rockne** Built Fighting Irish tradition

**Red Ruffing** Won 20 four times, 273 wins in all

**Ray Meyer** Coached DePaul hoops for 42 years

**Dan Issel** Kentucky's top career basketball scorer

**John Kinsella** Swimmer won 1970 Sullivan Award

**Johnny Lattner** Notre Dame Heisman winner

**Lou Boudreau** AL MVP in 1948 for Indians

**Bart Conner** Gymnast won two Olympic golds

**Kenesaw Mountain Landis** The commissioner

**Bob Richards** Won pole vault golds in 1952, '56

**Jerry Sloan** Two-time NBA All-Star with Bulls

**George Connor** NFL All-Pro at three positions

**Jack Sikma** Hoops All-America at Illinois Wesleyan

**Red Schoendienst** All-Star second baseman

**Terry Cummings** NBA Rookie of the Year in 1983

**Ken Anderson** 1981 NFL MVP as Bengals QB

**Ted Kluszewski** Sleeveless slugger hit 279 homers

**Bill Fischer** Notre Dame Outland Trophy winner

**Maurice Cheeks** Stifling NBA defender

**Harold Osborn** 1924 decathlon gold medalist

**Joe McGinnity** Led NL in wins five times

**Mike Krzyzewski** Taken Duke to two NCAA titles

**Tim Hardaway** Five-time NBA All-Star guard

**Ray Schalk** Brilliant defensive backstop

**Bill Veeck** Baseball's master showman

**Red Kerr** Center played 844 straight NBA games

**Quinn Buckner** HS, college and pro hoops champ

**Frederick (Fritz) Pollard** First black NFL coach

**Phil Cavarretta** 1945 NL MVP and batting champ

**Cazzie Russell** Michigan basketball All-America

**Ralph Metcalfe** Won four Olympic track medals

**John (Paddy) Driscoll** College football legend

**Jim Bottomley** 1928 NL MVP for Cardinals

**Sam Jethroe** Negro leagues, Braves star

## INDIANA

**John Wooden** Hoops great on floor and bench

**Larry Bird** Revitalized NBA and won three titles

**Oscar Robertson** Averaged triple-double, 1958-69

**Bob Griese** Led Miami to two Super Bowl wins

**Chuck Klein** Phillies' Triple Crown winner in 1930

**Ray Ewry** Won 10 Olympic jumping gold medals

**Rod Woodson** Great NFL cornerback

**Jeff Gordon** Three-time Winston Cup champion

**Tony Hulman** Made Indy 500 a premier event

**Mordecai (Three Finger) Brown** Won 239 games

**Bobby Plump** Shot gave Milan HS 1954 hoops title

**Gil Hodges** Dodgers perennial All-Star

**Oscar Charleston** The Black Ruth

**George McGinnis** Star for Hoosiers, ABA, NBA

**James (Doc) Counsilman** Legendary swimmer

**Glenn Robinson** Winner of 1994 Wooden Award

**Alex Karras** Four-time All-Pro with Lions in 1950s

**Clyde Lovellette** Held NCAA career scoring record

**Edd Roush** Hit .323 in 18 major league seasons

**Kent Benson** Thrice Indiana hoops All-American

**Billy Herman** Hit .433 in 10 All-Star Games

**Steve Alford** Took Hoosiers to 1987 NCAA title

**Weeb Ewbank** Coached Jets to Super Bowl II

**Branch McCracken** Led Indiana to two NCAA titles

**Stephanie White-McCarty** Purdue hoops star

**Fuzzy Zoeller** Won 10 PGA events, two majors

**Don Mattingly** Yankees retired his number 19

**Rick Mount** Top Big Ten career scorer (32.3 ppg)

**Muriel Davis Grossfeld** U.S. gymnastics great

**Don Lash** Seven-time U.S. cross-country champion

**Bob Kuechenberg** Six Pro Bowls for Dolphins

**Tommy John** Won 288 games in the majors

**Tom Harmon** 1940 Heisman winner at Michigan

**Shawn Kemp** Six-time NBA All-Star

**Dick Weber** Three-time Bowler of the Year

**Fred Wilt** Runner won 1950 Sullivan Award

**Kenny Lofton** Has led AL in steals five times

**Charles O. Finley** Eccentric owner of the A's

**Tony Zale** Premier middleweight of the 1940s

**Tony Hinkle** Butler coaching legend, 1921 to '31

**Fuzzy Vandivier** Won three state basketball titles

**Major Taylor** Cyclist, first famed U.S. black athlete

**Damon Bailey** Leading high school hoops scorer

**Mark Clayton** Dan Marino's favorite TD target

**LaTaunya Pollard** College hoops top player in 1995

**Max Carey** 10-time NL stolen base champion

**Lamar Lundy** Part of Rams' Fearsome Foursome

**Charles (Stretch) Murphy** Purdue All-American

**Maicel Malone-Wallace** High school track star

**Scott Rolen** 1997 NL Rookie of the Year



## IOWA

**Dan Gable** Iowa wrestling kingpin

**Bob Feller** Threw three no-hitters, won 266 games

**Nile Kinnick** 1939 Heisman Trophy winner

**Elmer Layden** One of Notre Dame's Four Horsemen

**Jay Berwanger** Won first Heisman, in 1935

**Roger Craig** Versatile 49ers running back

**Fred (Cap) Clarke** Hit .351, slugged .532 in 1903

**Raef LaFrentz** Kansas hoops No. 2 alltime scorer

**Jim Zalesky** Three-time NCAA wrestling champ

**Don Perkins** Four-time All-Pro running back

**Fred Hoiberg** 20.2 ppg in 1993-94 at Iowa State

**Jack Fleck** Won 1955 U.S. Open in 18-hole playoff

**Urban (Red) Faber** 254 wins, 273 complete games

**Gary Thompson** Iowa State's first to score 1,000

**Aubrey Devine** All-America Iowa quarterback

**Terry and Tom Brands** Wrestling champ brothers

**Bryce Paup** 17.5 sacks in 1995 led NFL

**Mack Garner** Jockey won 1934 Kentucky Derby

**Bing Miller** Hit .311 over 16 major league seasons

**Gordon Locke** All-America fullback at Iowa

**Harold Nichols** Iowa State wrestling coach

**Hal Trosky** Drove in 162 runs for Indians in 1936

**Dan McGugin** Vanderbilt football coach, 197 wins

**Denise Long** Averaged 62.8 points as HS senior

**Bill Logan** Twice All-Big Ten in basketball for Iowa

**Dave Bancroft** Slick-fielding shortstop of 1920s

**Frank Gotch** Held wrestling title from 1906 to '13

**Randy Duncan** Led Iowa to Rose Bowl win

**Reggie Roby** Three-time Pro Bowl punter

**Lynne Lorenzen** Set U.S. HS hoops scoring mark

**Doreen Wilbur** Won archery gold at 1972 Olympics

**Hayden Fry** Coached Hawkeyes to 14 bowl games

**Tim Dwight** Alltime receiving yards leader at Iowa

**Bucky O'Connor** Coached Iowa to two Final Fours

**Glen Brand** Middleweight wrestling gold in 1949

**Forest Evashevski** Two Rose Bowl wins at Iowa

**Earl Whitehill** 22-8 with Senators in 1933

**Murray Wier** All-America hoopster at Iowa in 1948

**Ed Podolak** Set Iowa single-game rushing mark

**Zoe Ann Olsen** Won diving silver at 1948 Games

**Maury John** Coached Drake to 1969 Final Four

**Gerald Leeman** Thrice Iowa HS wrestling champ

**Judy Kimball** Won 1962 LPGA Championship

**F. Morgan Taylor** Took hurdles gold in 1924

**Eddie Anderson** All-America end at Notre Dame

**Kenny Ploen** MVP of 1957 Rose Bowl for Iowa

**Paul Moon** Won seven state hoops titles as coach

**Mike Busch** All-America tight end, Dodgers 3B

**Marv Cook** Patriots' Pro Bowl tight end

**J.L. Wilkinson** Founded Kansas City Monarchs

## KANSAS

**Barry Sanders** NFL's No. 2 alltime rusher

**Dean Smith** Winningest college basketball coach

**Walter Johnson** Senators ace won 416 games

**Adolph Rupp** 876 hoops victories at Kentucky

**Jim Ryun** First HS miler under four minutes

**Lynette Woodard** Hoops gold at 1984 Olympics

**John Riggins** NFL's 10th-leading alltime rusher

**John Hadl** Six-time Pro Bowl quarterback

**Jess Willard** Heavyweight champ from 1915 to '19

**Nolan Cromwell** HS track star, Pro Bowl safety

**Maurice Greene** Ran fastest 100 meters ever

**Joe Tinker** Began famous double-play combo

**Lynn Dickey** K-State's career passing leader

**James Bausch** Decathlon record at 1932 Games

**Gene Mauch** Three-time NL Manager of the Year

**Thane Baker** All-America sprinter won 1956 gold

**Ralph Miller** Hoops legend was HS track star

**Glenn Cunningham** World mile record, 1934 to '37

**Johnny Adams** Fourth jockey with 3,000 wins

**Otto Schnellbacher** Played in NBA and Pro Bowl

**Cleo Littleton** Wichita State basketball star

**Darren Daulton** Phillies All-Star catcher

**Bill Nieder** 1960 Olympic shot put gold medalist

**Ray Evans** Jayhawks football, hoops All-America

**Fred Clarke** 1,422 victories as Pirates manager

**Mike McCormack** Six-time Pro Bowl tackle

**Steve Renko** Pitched 15 years in major leagues

**Steve Grogan** K-State QB spent 16 years with Pats

**Antoine Carr** Wichita State alum, 14 NBA seasons

**Fred Etchen** 1924 trapshooting gold medalist

**William Roy (Link) Lyman** Five NFL titles

**Lon Kruger** Big Eight great, Final Four coach

**Elden Auker** Submarine pitcher won 130 games

**John Kuck** World records in shot, javelin in 1926

**John McLendon** First black pro hoops coach

**Sandra Myers** Set U.S. record in 400 hurdles

**Ralph Houk** Yanks skipper won three pennants

**Steve Little** All-America kicker at Arkansas

**Ernie Barrett** K-State All-America hoops guard

**Jim Colbert** 1995 Senior tour player of the year

**Arthur (Dutch) Lonborg** Jayhawks hoops star

**Veryl Switzer** Kansas football and track standout

**Gerald Roberts** World rodeo champ, 1942 and '49

**Pete Mehringer** Wrestling gold at 1932 Olympics

**Ernie Schmidt** Winfield High hoops star in 1920s

**Jeff Farrell** Two swimming golds in Rome

**Gary Spani** K-State All-America; Chiefs, 1978 to '86

**Bullet Joe Rogan** Starred for K.C. Monarchs

**Brian Shay** NCAA all-division rushing leader

**Iva Pembrige Jarvis** Trapshooting champion

## KENTUCKY

**Muhammad Ali** The Greatest

**Mary T. Meagher** Three swimming golds in 1984

**Wes Unseld** NBA Rookie of the Year, MVP in 1969

**Harold (Pee Wee) Reese** Slick Dodgers shortstop

**Cliff Hagan** All-America center at Kentucky

**Paul Hornung** Set NFL season scoring mark

**Darrell Waltrip** Three-time Winston Cup champ

**John Beckwith** Versatile Negro leagues star

**Eddie Arcaro** Only jockey to win two Triple Crowns

**Phil Simms** Won Super Bowl XXI with Giants

**A.B. (Happy) Chandler** Baseball commissioner

**Matt Winn** Built Derby into premier horse race

**Frank Ramsay** Won seven NBA titles with Celtics

**Wallace (Wah Wah) Jones** Hoops, football star

**Dave Cowens** Seven-time NBA All-Star center

**Leonard Lyles** Defensive back for Colts, 49ers

**Man o' War** Lost one race in 21 career starts

**Darrell Griffith** Led Louisville to 1980 hoops title

**Citation** Won 1948 Triple Crown

**Allan Houston** Has more than 7,000 points in NBA

**Jeff Van Note** Six-time Pro Bowl center

**Tim Couch** No. 1 pick in 1999 NFL draft

**Jack (Goose) Givens** Kentucky's 1978 hoops hero

**Howard Schnellenberger** Led Miami to grid glory

**Clarence Gaines** No. 3 in NCAA hoops wins (828)

**Earle Combs** Murderers' Row outfielder

**Joe B. Hall** 297-100 as Wildcats hoops coach

**Jim Bunning** Pitched perfect game for Phillies

**Woody Stephens** Trained five Belmont winners

**Carl Mays** Submariner with 208 career wins

**Elis Johnson** First four-sport athlete at Kentucky

**Ralph Beard** Led Kentucky to 1949 hoops title

**"King" Kelly Coleman** 46.9 ppg as HS senior

**Ed Diddle** Western Kentucky hoops coach, 759 wins

**Joe Fulk** Helped popularize the jump shot

**John Hillerich** Half of Louisville Slugger team

**Rex Chapman** Star guard at Kentucky

**Ralph Waldo Rose** Won two Olympic shot puts

**Butch Beard** Nine-year NBA guard

**David Russell (Gus) Bell** Four-time Reds All-Star

**Tamara McKinney** Three-time Olympic skier

**Bill Arnsparger** Architect of No Name Defense

**Clinton (Hawk) Thomas** Negro leagues outfielder

**Don Gullett** Won 109 games in nine-year career

**Sherman Lewis** Third in 1963 Heisman voting

**Don Fightmaster** Champion one-armed golfer

**Marvin Hart** Early-century heavyweight champ

**Charlie Tyra** 1,000 points and boards at Louisville

**Clem Haskins** Two-time basketball All-America

**Cawood Ledford** Kentucky's longtime radio voice

## LOUISIANA

**Karl Malone** All-NBA first-team 11 times

**Eddie Robinson** Gambling coach won 408 games

**Mel Ott** First in National League to 500 homers

**Terry Bradshaw** Led Steelers to four NFL titles

**Bob Pettit** LSU alum, Hawks 11-time NBA All-Star

**Elvin Hayes** 12-time NBA All-Star

**Lou Brock** Basestealing great had 3,023 hits

**Billy Cannon** LSU folk hero won 1959 Heisman

**Robert Parish** Played in NBA-record 1,611 games

**Willis Reed** Two titles with Knicks, 1970 NBA MVP

**Charlie Joiner** 750 NFL receptions, 12,146 yards

**Joe Dumars** Pistons guard was six-time All-Star

**Jim Taylor** Five 1,000-yard seasons for the Pack

**Ted Lyons** Righty won 260 big league games

**Ron Guidry** 1978 numbers: 25-3, 1.74 ERA

**Peyton Manning** Vols All-America, Colts QB

**Vida Blue** A's pitcher was 1971 AL MVP

**Eddie Delahoussaye** Rode two Derby winners

**Steve Van Buren** Four rushing titles for Eagles

**Bert Jones** LSU, Colts QB was 1976 NFL MVP

**Rod Milburn** Hurdler won Olympic gold in 1972

**Lee Smith** Baseball's alltime saves leader (478)

**Joe Ferguson** Threw for 29,817 yards in NFL

**Doug Williams** MVP of Super Bowl XXII

**Albert Belle** Averaging 39 HRs, 122 RBIs

**Leslie Gaudet** HS hoops coach had 1,026 wins

**Pam Kelly** Louisiana Tech basketball All-America

**Dalton Hilliard** LSU's alltime leading rusher

**John David Crow** 1957 Heisman winner at A & M

**Skip Bertman** LSU baseball teams won four titles

**J.R. Richard** Stroke cut short fireballing career

**Cotton Nash** Kentucky hoops star in the 1960s

**Glenn (Slats) Hardin** Hurdler won gold in 1936

**Pat Henry** Led LSU to 19 national track titles

**Marshall Faulk** Five 1,000-yard seasons in NFL

**Greg Procell** Nation's alltime HS hoops scorer

**Kim Mulkey** Two NCAA hoops titles, 1984 gold

**Jackie Smith** NFL tight end had 480 catches

**Joe Adcock** 336 homers, four in one game in 1954

**Kathy Johnson Clarke** 1984 Olympic gymnast

**Dub Jones** Scored record six TDs in an NFL game

**Johnny Robinson** 57 NFL interceptions

**Hal Sutton** Won 1983 PGA Championship

**Alvin Dark** NL Rookie of the Year for Braves in 1948

**Mickey Patterson** Sprint medalist at 1948 Olympics

**Bob Love** Led Bulls in scoring seven times

**Joe Brown** Won lightweight title in 1956

**Kent Desormeaux** Top jockey of 1989 and '92

**Rich Jackson** Four-time All-Pro defensive end

**Gaynell (Gus) Tinsley** LSU football All-America



## MAINE

- 1 **Joan Benoit Samuelson** Won Olympic marathon
- 2 **Cindy Blodgett** No. 5 alltime in NCAA hoops scoring
- 3 **Jack Coombs** Won 31 games, 13 shutouts in 1910
- 4 **Edmund (Rip) Black** Third in Olympic hammer
- 5 **Dick MacPherson** Coached Syracuse and Patriots
- 6 **Billy Swift** Led NL with 2.08 ERA in 1992
- 7 **Mike Bordick** Shortstop for Maine and Orioles
- 8 **Joey Gamache** WBA lightweight champ in 1992
- 9 **Mark Plummer** 10 Maine amateur golf titles
- 10 **Bill (Rough) Carrigan** Managed 1915, '16 Red Sox
- 11 **Chet Bulger** Two-way NFL tackle from 1942 to '50
- 12 **Walter Case** Harness-record 1,077 wins in 1998
- 13 **Bob Legendre** Bronze in 1924 Olympic pentathlon
- 14 **Abby Spector** Four Maine amateur golf titles
- 15 **Al McCoy** Versatile boxer of the 1930s and '40s
- 16 **John Winkin** Led Maine to six College World Series
- 17 **Eric Weinrich** Defenseman for Maine and in NHL
- 18 **Freddy Parent** Shortstop for 1903 champ Red Sox
- 19 **John Bower** First U.S. skier to win Holmenkollen
- 20 **John Huard** Linebacker for Maine and Broncos
- 21 **Dot Petty** Twice world candlepin champion
- 22 **John Wassenbergh** NAIA basketball All-America
- 23 **Carl Willey** Career ERA of 3.76 in eight years
- 24 **Paul Junior** Lightweight boxer was 476-13
- 25 **Tony Miner** 35-game college hitting streak
- 26 **Whitney Leeman** 16 New England swimming titles
- 27 **Kevin Mahaney** Silver in sailing at 1992 Olympics
- 28 **Raymond Lebel** Won six Maine amateur golf titles
- 29 **Bert Roberge** Maine righty won 12 games in bigs
- 30 **Harold White** Bowdoin All-America swimmer
- 31 **Jean Roy** All-America defenseman at Bowdoin
- 32 **Clyde Sukeforth** Helped sign Jackie Robinson
- 33 **Robert Aceto** Southern Maine All-America pitcher
- 34 **Jay Ramsdell** CBA commissioner at age 23
- 35 **Marcus Nash** Standout cross-country skier
- 36 **Gail Liberty** U.S. women's pistol champ, 1961 to '63
- 37 **Stump Merrill** Maine catcher, Yankees manager
- 38 **L.L. Bean** Invented waterproof boots in 1912
- 39 **Erik Nedeau** Ran 3:59.6 mile for Northeastern
- 40 **Danny Bolduc** First Maine player to reach NHL
- 41 **Gary Williamson** Southern Maine baseball star
- 42 **Julie Parisien** Two U.S. ski championships in 1991
- 43 **Francois Bouchard** Hoops HS All-America
- 44 **Shawn Walsh** Coached Maine to two hockey titles
- 45 **Fred Tootell** Won 1924 Olympic gold in hammer
- 46 **Barbara Krause** Multisport star at Freeport High
- 47 **Coley Welch** World's No. 3 middleweight in 1942
- 48 **Bob Prince** Star outfielder for Southern Maine
- 49 **Mike Thurston** Clinched 1969 state hoops title
- 50 **Charles Milan III** 23 candlepin titles

## MARYLAND

- 1 **Babe Ruth** Larger-than-life, on and off the field
- 2 **Cal Ripken Jr.** 2,632 consecutive games played
- 3 **Lefty Grove** 300 wins and nine AL ERA titles
- 4 **Jimmie Foxx** First righty to hit 500 home runs
- 5 **Al Kaline** Youngest batting champ, at 20 in 1955
- 6 **Morgan Wootten** Legendary DeMatha hoops coach
- 7 **Sugar Ray Leonard** Boxing champ in five classes
- 8 **Adrian Dantley** Two-time NBA scoring leader
- 9 **Pam Shriver** Won 20 Grand Slam doubles titles
- 10 **Gene Shue** Five-time NBA All-Star coached 21 years
- 11 **Walt Williams** Terps alum in eighth NBA season
- 12 **Joe Gans** Considered alltime best lightweight
- 13 **Leon Day** Versatile Hall of Fame Negro leaguer
- 14 **Chuck Foreman** Three 1,000-yard seasons for Vikes
- 15 **Mike Curtis** Four-time Pro Bowl middle linebacker
- 16 **Harold Baines** 373 career homers, 2,783 hits
- 17 **Joe and Vince Dundee** Champion boxing brothers
- 18 **Eddie Rommel** Knuckleballer turned AL umpire
- 19 **Len Bias** Celtics' No. 2 pick died at age 22
- 20 **Jim Tatum** Maryland's greatest football coach
- 21 **Robert Garrett** 1900 Olympic track and field star
- 22 **Reggie Lewis** Dunbar and Celtics star died at 27
- 23 **Frank (Home Run) Baker** Dead Ball Era slugger
- 24 **Louis (Bosey) Berger** Terps' first hoops All-America
- 25 **William Kelso Morrill Sr.** Hopkins lacrosse legend
- 26 **Antonio Freeman** Go-to receiver for Packers
- 27 **Jack Scarbath** Star Maryland QB of early 1950s
- 28 **Don Kelly** Led Hopkins to three lacrosse titles
- 29 **Gallant Fox** 1930 Triple Crown winner
- 30 **Charlie (King Kong) Keller** 1940s Yankees great
- 31 **Brian Jordan** Braves and former Falcons star
- 32 **Deane Beman** PGA Tour commissioner for 20 years
- 33 **Cal Ripken Sr.** 36 years in Orioles organization
- 34 **Kevin Glover** Maryland and NFL offensive lineman
- 35 **Jim Lacy** First college hoops player to score 2,000
- 36 **Tara Heiss** First Terps woman to score 1,000
- 37 **Kid Williams** Bantamweight champ, 1914 to '17
- 38 **Ronald Abercrombie** Hopkins lacrosse star and AD
- 39 **Tom Scott** Virginia All-America and Eagles end
- 40 **Harry Jeffra** Bantamweight, featherweight champ
- 41 **Tony Greene** Star safety for Maryland and Bills
- 42 **Denny Neagle** Reds lefty, two-time NL All-Star
- 43 **George Hopbron** Wrote first hoops instruction book
- 44 **Sam Cassell** Guard won two NBA titles with Rockets
- 45 **Ed and Phil Lotz** St. John's College lacrosse legends
- 46 **Millard Lang** Hopkins lacrosse, pro soccer star
- 47 **Reggie Williams** Swingman at Georgetown, in NBA
- 48 **Steve Barber** Eight shutouts for 1961 Orioles
- 49 **Harold Solomon** Successful tennis player and coach
- 50 **Elizabeth (Toots) Barger** Duckpins legend

## MASSACHUSETTS

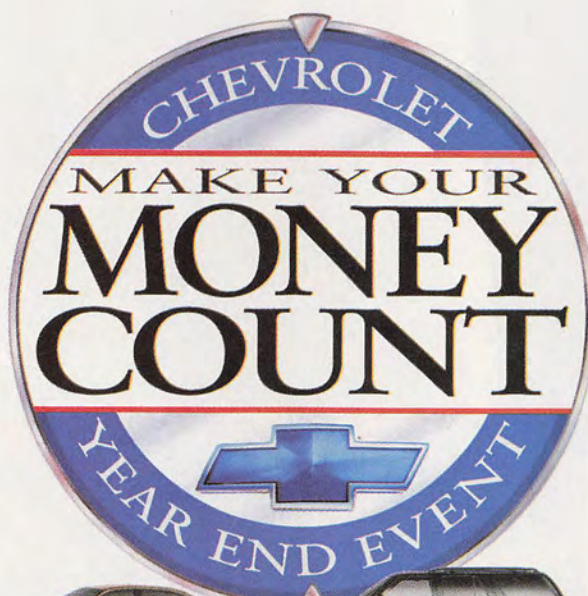
- 1 **Rocky Marciano** Only unbeaten heavyweight
- 2 **Doug Flutie** Heisman-winning QB, now pilots Bills
- 3 **Patrick Ewing** Man in the middle for Knicks
- 4 **Bobby Carpenter** First American with 50 NHL goals
- 5 **Rebecca Lobo** Star for UConn and WNBA Liberty
- 6 **Alberto Salazar** Won N.Y. and Boston marathons
- 7 **Tom Glavine** Billerica High grad has two Cy Youngs
- 8 **Pie Traynor** Top third baseman of 1920s, hit .320
- 9 **Harry Agganis** BU QB and Red Sox star died at 26
- 10 **Johnny (the Elder) Kelley** Boston Marathon man
- 11 **Francis Ouimet** First amateur to win U.S. Open golf
- 12 **Robbie Florek** State's best HS hockey player
- 13 **Tony Conigliaro** AL's youngest home run champ
- 14 **Howie Long** Eight-time Pro Bowl defensive end
- 15 **Mickey Cochrane** Catcher and two-time MVP
- 16 **Pat Bradley** Two-time LPGA player of the year
- 17 **Nick Buoniconti** Linebacker for 1972 Dolphins
- 18 **Tom Barrasso** Penguins goalie won two Cups
- 19 **Gabby Hartnett** Hit 1938 Homer in the Gloaming
- 20 **Connie Mack** Managed 7,755 games over 53 years
- 21 **Kelly Amonte** High school and college lacrosse star
- 22 **Marvelous Marvin Hagler** Middleweight champ
- 23 **Angelo Bertelli** Notre Dame QB won 1943 Heisman
- 24 **Mike Eruzione** Captain of 1980 U.S. hockey team
- 25 **Tony Plansky** All-Pro running back for Giants
- 26 **Tenley Albright** Two Olympic figure skating medals
- 27 **Joe Bellino** Navy running back won 1960 Heisman
- 28 **Rabbit Maranville** Feisty infielder known for defense
- 29 **Rod Langway** Three-time NHL All-Star defenseman
- 30 **John Thomas** First high jumper to top seven feet
- 31 **Jeff Reardon** First closer to reach 350-save mark
- 32 **Jeremy Roenick** Coyotes center in 12th NHL year
- 33 **Bill Cleary** Led U.S. to 1960 Olympic hockey gold
- 34 **Wilbur Wood** Knuckleballer won 20 four times
- 35 **Charlie Brickley** All-America back for Harvard
- 36 **Jack Chesbro** Won a record 41 games in 1904
- 37 **Paul Pender** Middleweight champ, 1960 to '62
- 38 **Jim Craig** Goaltender for 1980 Miracle on Ice
- 39 **Leo (the Lip) Durocher** Managed 24 seasons
- 40 **Keith Tkachuk** Two 50-goal seasons in NHL
- 41 **Jim Hegan** Five-time All-Star catcher
- 42 **Stuffy McInnis** First baseman for 1910 A's
- 43 **Mark Belanger** Shortstop won eight Gold Gloves
- 44 **Tony DeMarco** Won welterweight title in 1955
- 45 **Billy Gonsalves** Played for U.S. in 1930 World Cup
- 46 **Nancy Kerrigan** Two Olympic figure skating medals
- 47 **Chris McCarron** Money leader among jockeys
- 48 **Mark (the Bird) Fidrych** Wacky Tigers hurler
- 49 **Henry Picard** 26 golf tournament victories
- 50 **Senda Berenson Abbott** Mother of women's hoops

## MICHIGAN

- 1 **Joe Louis** Longest reign of any heavyweight champ
- 2 **Earvin (Magic) Johnson** Won five NBA titles
- 3 **Charlie Gehringer** Tigers infielder had 2,839 hits
- 4 **Bennie Oosterbaan** Michigan grid star, coach
- 5 **Hal Newhouser** Tigers pitcher was 1944, '45 MVP
- 6 **Dave DeBusschere** Won two NBA titles with Knicks
- 7 **Ron Kramer** Michigan star went on to Packers
- 8 **Kirk Gibson** MSU star became supreme clutch hitter
- 9 **Fielding Yost** 165-29-10 as Michigan football coach
- 10 **Stanley Ketchel** Middleweight champ, 1908 to '10
- 11 **Bo Schembechler** 21 years as Michigan grid coach
- 12 **George (Iceman) Gervin** NBA scoring champion
- 13 **Norbert Schemansky** Olympic weightlifting medalist
- 14 **Paul Krause** First alltime in NFL interceptions
- 15 **Pat LaFontaine** 468 goals in 15 NHL seasons
- 16 **Rudy Tomjanovich** Two NBA titles as Rockets coach
- 17 **Thomas (Hit Man) Hearn** Champ at five weights
- 18 **Greg Meyer** Last U.S. man to win Boston Marathon
- 19 **Eddie Futch** Trained 22 world champion boxers
- 20 **John Smoltz** 2.77 ERA in 28 postseason games
- 21 **Eddie Tolan** Two track gold medals in 1932 Games
- 22 **Rick Leach** Michigan QB and 10-year major leaguer
- 23 **Micki King** Michigan diver and Title IX pioneer
- 24 **Billy Pierce** AL's winningest southpaw in 1950s
- 25 **Spencer Haywood** 20.3 ppg in 13 NBA seasons
- 26 **Mike Modano** No. 2 career scorer for NHL's Stars
- 27 **Ernie Harwell** Voice of Tigers since 1960
- 28 **Pete Dawkins** Beat polio and won 1958 Heisman
- 29 **Derek Jeter** Yankees shortstop has three rings
- 30 **Marion Ladewig** Bowler won eight U.S. Opens
- 31 **Fritz Crisler** Coached Michigan to 1947 football title
- 32 **Joe DeLamielleure** Six-time NFL Pro Bowl guard
- 33 **Sheila Young-Ochowicz** Supreme skater and cyclist
- 34 **Eddie Cicotte** Black Sox pitcher won 209 games
- 35 **Dawn Riley** Led all-female America's Cup crew
- 36 **Emanuel Steward** Trainer of 26 boxing champs
- 37 **Duffy Daugherty** MSU football coach for 19 years
- 38 **Chris Webber** Fab Fiver was NBA top pick in 1993
- 39 **Kiki Cuyler** Outfielder hit .300 or better 10 times
- 40 **Harry Kipke** Standout Michigan football figure
- 41 **Frank Navin** Tigers owner from 1907 to '35
- 42 **Alexi Lalas** U.S. soccer team mainstay
- 43 **Jim Kaat** Won 283 games and 16 Gold Gloves
- 44 **Jerome (the Bus) Bettis** Bruising NFL back
- 45 **Dell and Connie Sweetis** Table tennis champions
- 46 **Gene (Big Daddy) Lipscomb** Defensive lineman
- 47 **Terry McDermott** Olympic speed skating medalist
- 48 **Kathy Arendsen** Softball pitcher won 338 games
- 49 **Wally Pipp** Lost Yanks first base job to Lou Gehrig
- 50 **Gerald Ford** Michigan lineman and 38th U.S. prez



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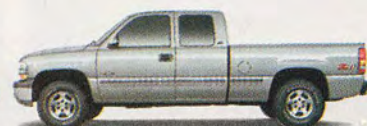
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**Bronko Nagurski** Great tackle, great fullback  
**Dave Winfield** Had 1,833 RBIs in 22 seasons  
**Kevin McHale** Celtics low-post magician  
**Neal Broten** Minnesota 1981 Hobey Baker winner  
**Patty Berg** Won golf's first Women's Open, in 1946  
**Bud Wilkinson** Oklahoma football coaching great  
**Paul Molitor** Eighth alltime with 3,319 hits  
**Herb Brooks** Coach of Miracle on Ice  
**Kent Hrbek** Led Twins to two World Series wins  
**Tom Lehman** PGA player of the year in 1996  
**Vern Mikkelsen** Helped Lakers win four titles  
**Jack Morris** Five-time All-Star pitcher  
**Bill and Roger Christian** 1960 hockey heroes  
**Bruce Smith** Only Minnesotan to win Heisman  
**Phil Housley** Most points of any U.S.-born NHLer  
**Sid Gillman** Football passing-game innovator  
**John Mayasich** Minnesota hockey All-America  
**John Gagliardi** Won 364 college football games  
**Cindy Nelson** Took Alpine bronze at 1976 Games  
**Karl Mecklenberg** Broncos Pro Bowl linebacker  
**John Kundla** Coached Lakers to six NBA titles  
**Reed Larson** Gophers, Red Wings defenseman  
**John Roethlisberger** National gymnastics champ  
**Vern Gagne** Two-time NCAA wrestling champ  
**Gino Cappelletti** Alltime leading AFL scorer  
**Chief Bender** Hall of Famer won 208 games  
**Jerry Koosman** Lefty won 222 games in 19 years  
**Amy Peterson** Three Olympic speed skating medals  
**Ed Widseth** Gophers tackle on three title teams  
**Mike Ramsey** NHL defenseman for 18 years  
**Paul Giel** Minnesota's Heisman runner-up in 1953  
**Whitey Skoog** Guard for Lakers in 1950s  
**Burdette Haldorson** Won two Olympic hoops golds  
**John Mariucci** Longtime Minnesota hockey coach  
**Jim Langer** Dolphins All-Pro center  
**Jean Havlish** Star bowler, women's pro shortstop  
**Paul Holmgren** Winger for Flyers in 1980s  
**Biggie Munn** Minnesota track and football star  
**Bernie Bierman** Led Gophers to five football titles  
**Mark Olberding** 12-year pro basketball career  
**John McCartan** 1960 Olympic hockey goalie  
**Walt Kiesling** Guard won two NFL titles in 1930s  
**Briana Scurry** Goalkeeper on 1999 World Cup team  
**Terry Steinbach** Catcher hit 34 homers in 1996  
**Tommy Gibbons** Won 57 of 62 career fights  
**Khalid El-Amin** Guard on UConn's NCAA champs  
**Jeanne Arth** 1959 Wimbledon doubles champ  
**Fortune Gordien** Won two Olympic discus medals  
**Frankie Brimsek** Calder and Vezina winner in 1939  
**George Neogan** Longtime Notre Dame hoops coach

## MISSISSIPPI

**Walter Payton** Sweetest NFL runner ever  
**Jerry Rice** Owns every major NFL receiving record  
**Lance Alworth** Top receiver in pass-happy AFL  
**Frank (Bruiser) Kinard** Ole Miss football great  
**Archie Manning** Star quarterback at Mississippi  
**Margaret Wade** Women's college hoops pioneer  
**Brett Favre** First to win three NFL MVPs in a row  
**Jake Gibbs** QB led Ole Miss to 1960 national title  
**Lusia Harris-Stewart** Delta State hoops hero  
**Charlie Conerly** Quarterback for Ole Miss, Giants  
**Calvin Smith** Held world record in 100 meters  
**Ruthie Bolton-Holifield** All-WNBA player in 1997  
**Willie Brown** Anchored Raiders secondary in 1970s  
**Willie White** Track star was five-time Olympian  
**Lem Barney** Seven-time All-Pro defensive back  
**Jennifer Gillom** Lady Rebels' No. 2 scorer  
**L.C. Greenwood** Part of Steel Curtain defense  
**Johnny Vaught** Coach won six SEC football titles  
**Ralph Boston** Won long jump gold in 1960  
**Ron Polk** Winningest baseball coach in SEC  
**Wilbert Montgomery** Eagles star running back  
**Purvis Short** 23.7 ppg at Jackson State  
**Jackie Slater** Played on Rams line for 259 games  
**Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf** 15.2 ppg in NBA career  
**Harold Jackson** Led NFL in receiving yards twice  
**Bill Foster** Negro leagues pitcher won 26 straight  
**Erick Dampier** Three-time All-SEC center  
**Mary Mills** 1962 LPGA rookie of the year  
**Billy Shaw** Guard on alltime AFL team  
**Ray Perkins** Succeeded Bear Bryant at 'Bama  
**Babe McCarthy** Made MSU a hoops power  
**Larry Myricks** 1998 bronze medalist in long jump  
**Dave (Boo) Ferris** Two-time 20-game winner  
**Steve McNair** Alltime NCAA total offense leader  
**Van Chancellor** Coach won first three WNBA titles  
**Clarence Weatherspoon** Southern Miss hoops star  
**Litterial Green** Averaged 39.7 points as HS senior  
**Hugh Green** Lombardi winner at Pitt in 1980  
**Bert Jenkins** State's winningest hoops coach  
**Antonio McDyess** 21.2 ppg for Nuggets in 1998-99  
**Jim Gallagher Jr.** Won five PGA Tour events  
**Jack Gregory** Had 21 sacks for Giants in 1972  
**Marcus Dupree** Philadelphia High football star  
**Harol Lofton** All-SEC back at Ole Miss in 1953  
**Sammy Winder** Broncos top runner, 1983 to '87  
**Slew Hester** USTA head moved Open to Flushing  
**Claude Passeau** Cubs All-Star pitcher in 1940s  
**Eric Moulds** All-SEC wideout at Mississippi State  
**Bobby Collins** MSU QB, Southern Miss coach  
**Dot Easterwood Murphy** Hooper, gridiron coach

## MISSOURI

**Yogi Berra** Yankees catcher won 10 World Series  
**Casey Stengel** Professor led Yanks to seven titles  
**Tom Watson** Golfer won eight majors  
**Bill Bradley** Won Olympic gold and two NBA titles  
**James (Cool Papa) Bell** Negro leagues speedster  
**Phog Allen** Hoops mentor coached for 48 years  
**Henry Armstrong** Held three boxing titles in 1938  
**Cal Hubbard** In baseball and football Halls of Fame  
**David Cone** Five-time All-Star pitcher  
**Horton Smith** Won inaugural Masters in 1934  
**Roger Wehrli** Intercepted 40 passes for Cards  
**"Easy" Ed Macauley** Seven-time NBA All-Star  
**Henry Iba** Hoops coach won two Olympic golds  
**Payne Stewart** Two-time U.S. Open golf winner  
**Earl Weaver** Fiery Orioles manager won 1970 Series  
**Norm Stewart** Coached Mizzou hoops for 38 years  
**Jo Jo White** Seven-time All-Star with Celtics  
**Helen Stephens** Won two golds in 1936 Olympics  
**Jimmy Conzelman** NFL MVP in 1928, Cards coach  
**Michael Spinks** Boxer lost only once in pro career  
**Andy Russell** In seven Pro Bowls with Steelers  
**Ken Boyer** 1964 NL MVP with Cardinals  
**Harry Caray** Voice of Cardinals for 24 years  
**Ben Jones** Trainer had two Triple Crown winners  
**Pete Adkins** No. 2 nationally in HS football wins  
**Chuck McKinley** Won Wimbledon singles in 1963  
**Zack Wheat** Dodgers leftfielder had 2,884 hits  
**Butch Buchholz** Founded Lipton Championships  
**Jackson Scholz** Two-time sprint gold medalist  
**Rusty Wallace** Winston Cup champ in 1988  
**Don Faurot** Invented split-T as Mizzou coach  
**Archie Moore** Had a record 141 knockouts  
**Jake Beckley** Dead Ball Era star had 2,930 hits  
**Judy Rankin** Had LPGA's first \$100,000 season  
**Dwight Davis** Founder of the Davis Cup  
**Bob Kurland** Won two NCAA hoops titles in 1940s  
**Mike Todorovich** Two-sport star at Notre Dame  
**"Pitchin'" Paul Christman** Mizzou All-America QB  
**Bill Virdon** 1955 NL Rookie of the Year for Cards  
**Don Carter** Kegler was perfect 13 times  
**August Busch** Beer baron kept Cards in St. Louis  
**Elston Howard** Yankees catcher was 1963 AL MVP  
**Steve Stipanovich** Second pick in 1983 NBA draft  
**Dee Boeckman** First Olympic women's track coach  
**Nelson Burton Jr.** Bowler won nine ABC titles  
**Harry Keogh** Defender on 1950 World Cup team  
**Leon Spinks** Beat Ali for heavyweight belt in 1978  
**Frank White** Second sacker won eight Gold Gloves  
**Rick Sutcliffe** Righty won 15 or more six times  
**J.G. Taylor Spink** *The Sporting News* guru

## MONTANA

**Dave McNally** Four-time 20-game winner  
**Dan Mortensen** All-around rodeo champ in 1997  
**Lones Wigger** Olympic rifle gold medalist  
**Pat Donovan** Cowboys' Pro Bowl offensive lineman  
**Corey Widmer** Montana State, Giants linebacker  
**Jeff Ballard** Big league pitcher went to Stanford  
**Ryan Leaf** Second pick of 1998 NFL draft  
**Greg Rice** Runner won 1940 Sullivan Award  
**Gene Davis** NCAA wrestling champ in 1966  
**Scott Davis** Twice U.S. figure skating champion  
**Tim Hauck** All-America safety at Montana  
**Dave Dickenson** QB led 1995 Grizzlies to I-AA title  
**Shannon Cate** Holds nine Big Sky basketball marks  
**Robert Craig (Evel) Kniewel** Daredevil supreme  
**Shannon Butler** Two-time NCAA track champ  
**Larry Krystkowiak** Forward for six NBA teams  
**Brian Salonen** Grizzlies All-America wideout  
**Marvin Camel** First WBC cruiserweight champ  
**Ed Kalafat** Center for Lakers from 1954 to '57  
**Alice Greenough** First in Cowgirl Hall of Fame  
**Sonny Holland** Montana State linebacker, coach  
**Alice Ritzman** Won more than \$1 million on LPGA  
**Milt Popovich** All-America halfback at Montana  
**Deb Greenough** 1993 world-champ bareback rider  
**Terry Casey** All-America hockey player in 1965-66  
**Mike Tilleman** 11-year pro football career  
**"Wild" Bill Kelly** Three-sport star for Grizzlies  
**Mike Lewis** All-America center at Duke in 1967-68  
**Eric Bergoust** Aerial skiing gold medalist in 1998  
**Marti Leibenguth** Three-time All-Big Sky hoopster  
**Larry Questad** Olympic sprinter in 1968  
**Brick Breeden** Montana State basketball coach  
**Dick Doyle** 1950 NCAA discus champion  
**Dave Silk** 1986 World Cup speed skating champ  
**Max Worthington** Montana State two-sport star  
**John Petkevich** U.S. figure skating champ in 1971  
**Rod Lyman** Four-time steer wrestling champion  
**Bill Linderman** Two-time top all-around cowboy  
**Wayne Estes** Utah State hoops All-America in 1965  
**Todd Foster** Golden Gloves winner in 1987  
**Russ Sweet** Montana griddler and sprinter in 1920s  
**Leslie Spalding** Twice state amateur golf champ  
**Sarah Flock** Montana State basketball star  
**Kris Schmitt** Star hurdler, sprinter at Montana  
**Cass Bauer** Forward for WNBA's Sting  
**Benny Reynolds** Top all-around cowboy in 1961  
**Bob O'Billovich** Coached Toronto to 1983 Grey Cup  
**Arnold Gillerte** NCAA two-mile champ in 1926  
**Jack Gillespie** Montana State basketball center  
**Elvis Old Bull** Thrice HS hoops tournament MVP



## NEBRASKA

**Bob Gibson** Cardinals' two-time Cy Young winner

**Gale Sayers** Led NFL in rushing twice

**Grover Cleveland Alexander** Thrice won 30

**Tom Osborne** All-state in basketball and football

**Johnny Rodgers** Husker Heisman winner in 1972

**Sam Crawford** Career triples leader, with 312

**Richie Ashburn** Four-time NL All-Star

**Ed Weir** Two-time Nebraska All-America tackle

**Bob Boozer** Basketball All-America at K-State

**Jim Hartung** Won seven NCAA gymnastics titles

**Mel Harder** Righthander won 223 games

**Dave Rimington** Two-time Outland Trophy winner

**Ron Boone** Four-time ABA All-Star

**Louise Pond** Golf, tennis, basketball standout

**Billy Southworth** Cards' World Series manager

**Pat Fischer** Three-time Pro Bowl cornerback

**Mick Tingelhoff** Viking played in six Pro Bowls

**Dazzy Vance** NL leader in ERA three times

**George Sauer** All-America Nebraska fullback

**Charley Brock** Intercepted 20 passes for Pack

**Dean Steinkuhler** Won Lombardi, Outland trophies

**Mark Calavecchia** 1989 British Open winner

**Guy Chamberlin** All-America Husker end in 1915

**Jay Novacek** NFL tight end, 1985 to '95

**Gil Dodds** Set world indoor mile best

**Glenn Presnell** Led NFL in scoring in 1933

**Randy Rasmussen** Guard with Jets for 15 years

**Bob Cerv** Hit .276 in 12 major league seasons

**Val Skinner** Won six LPGA events in 16 years

**Lloyd Hahn** Runner set seven world records

**Gregg Olson** 1989 AL Rookie of the Year

**Tom Rathman** 49ers fullback from 1986 to '93

**Ruby Miller** Averaged 38.6 points as HS senior

**Marlin Briscoe** Led AFC in receptions in 1970

**Eugene McCue** All-state in football and hoops

**Johnny Hopp** All-Star hit .296 in 14-year career

**Kent McCloughan** Twice named NFL All-League

**Larry Station** All-America linebacker at Iowa

**Paul Tierney** All-around rodeo champ in 1980

**Steve Brooks** Jockey won 1949 Kentucky Derby

**Erick Strickland** Guard for the Mavericks

**Edsel Wibbels** National HS discus champion

**Jack Van Berg** Stellar thoroughbred trainer

**Carol Moseke Frost** AAU discus champion

**Tim Burke** Expos closer saved 102 games

**Ed Thompson** Rushed and passed for 1,000 yards

**Tom Kropp** Drafted in football and basketball

**Julie Vollertsen** Olympic volleyball medalist

**Roger Sayers** National track team member

**Chris Leigh** Scored 1,492 points in high school

## NEVADA

**Greg Maddux** Four-time Cy Young winner

**Andre Agassi** Won each event in tennis Grand Slam

**Matt Williams** Hit 334 homers in 13 seasons

**Don Johnson** Twice bowler of the year

**David Humm** All-America Nebraska quarterback

**Lionel (Train) Hollins** 10-year NBA veteran

**Lee White** Weber State's alltime leading rusher

**Marion Jones Farquhar** Tennis pioneer

**Mike Morgan** Pitched for 11 big league teams

**Marty Barrett** 1986 ALCS MVP with Red Sox

**Gerald Riggs** Led NFC with 1,719 yards in 1985

**Greg Anthony** UNLV's alltime assists leader

**Michael Roxborough** Provider of betting line

**Sheila Tarr-Smith** NCAA heptathlon champ in 1984

**Mills Lane** Referee in more than 100 title bouts

**Shawn Estes** All-Star won 19 games in 1997

**Frank Hawkins** Wrestling, football HS All-America

**Richard Steele** A top boxing referee since 1982

**Bison Dele** 15.8 ppg for Bulls in 1995-96

**Robert Gamez** Won 1990 Tucson Open as rookie

**Chris Ault** 163-63-1 as Nevada football coach

**Donovan Osborne** Cardinals pitcher is 47-45

**Nick Bell** All-Big Ten running back at Iowa

**Marty Cordova** AL Rookie of the Year in 1995

**Bob Martin** Oddsmaker set the Las Vegas Line

**Freddie Banks** UNLV's No. 4 basketball scorer

**Tyler Houston** No. 2 pick in 1989 draft by Braves

**Glenn Carano** Passed for 13 TDs in USFL in 1984

**Abby Miller** Four-time HS cross-country champ

**Pam Buckner** Bowled two straight 300 games

**Don Logan** G.M. of Triple A Las Vegas Stars

**Stacy Bromberg** No. 1 dart thrower in U.S.

**Mike Maddux** 547 strikeouts in 14-year career

**Michael Johnson** Led Sooners to 1999 Sweet 16

**LaVerne Carter** A top bowler in 1950s and '60s

**Ginger Ernest** San Diego State volleyball star

**Rodger Fairless** 12 state titles as baseball coach

**John Klares** Outstanding bowler in the 1950s

**Angelo Collis** Coached McGill to 1948 HS grid title

**Danny Tarkanian** Star point guard at UNLV

**Prince Fowler** Averaged 40 points at Western High

**Jon Denton** UNLV's second-leading career passer

**Tony Mendes** World's 13th-ranked bull rider

**Rob MacCachren** Top off-road racer

**Julle Dunn** Won four straight state golf titles

**Kurt Busch** Four straight stock car wins in 1999

**Bill (Wildcat) Morris** Led UNLV boosters

**Marc Ratner** Head of state athletic commission

**Craig Barlow** Qualified for PGA Tour in 1998

**H Waldman** HS player of the year in 1990

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Carlton Fisk** 10-time All-Star catcher

**Jenny Thompson** Five Olympic swimming golds

**Mike Flanagan** 1979 AL Cy Young winner

**Lynn Jennings** Runner won 39 national titles

**Red Rolfe** Three-time All-Star third baseman

**Bob Beattie** Coached U.S. skiers to first medal

**Greg Landry** Threw 98 touchdowns in NFL

**Bob Tewksbury** All-Star went 16-5 in 1992

**Jane Blalock** Didn't miss an LPGA cut in 12 years

**Birdie Tobbetts** Four-time All-Star catcher

**Penny Pitou** Skier won two silver medals in 1960

**Matt Bonner** Three-time HS hoops player of year

**Katie King** Won hockey gold at 1998 Olympics

**Andy Sudduth** Head of the Charles regatta legend

**Buzz Harvey** Coach won 12 state football titles

**Doug Evreft** Star on 1932 Olympic hockey team

**Hubie McDonough** 170-53 as HS football coach

**Mike LaValiere** Gold Glove catcher in 1987

**Steve Balboni** Hit 36 homers in 1985

**Paul Frase** 10 seasons as NFL defensive tackle

**Hubie McDonough III** Scored 40 goals in the NHL

**Richard Kennelly** Darsman won silver in Seoul

**Don Macek** Chargers center throughout 1980s

**Gus Zitrides** Dartmouth football All-America

**Erica Palmer** Big Ten's top track freshman in 1998

**Bob Blackman** Led Dartmouth football to 104 wins

**Kerry Bascom** No. 2 career scorer at UConn

**Liz McIntyre** Freestyle skier won silver in 1994

**Tricia Dunn** Took gold with 1998 hockey team

**Don Sarette** QB on Syracuse's 1959 title team

**Steve Stetson** Star Dartmouth QB in 1971, '72

**Johnny Bozek** Football All-America at Georgetown

**Sam Knox** Played three seasons for Lions

**Howard Cressett** Bobsledder got silver in 1952

**John Bosa** Dolphins' No. 1 pick in 1987 draft

**Kent Carlson** Three-year NHL veteran

**Steve Schubert** NFL wideout from 1974 to '79

**Dick Martin** Coached three sports at Concord HS

**Bill Jackowski** Umpire in the NL for 16 years

**Kevin Grondin** Won six U.S. surfing titles

**Tom Padden** Catcher hit .321 in 1934 for Pirates

**Bob Chabot** Part of Blanchard-Davis backfield

**Cathy O'Brien** Two-time Olympic marathoner

**Jeff Cross** Star basketball player at Maine

**Bob Savage** Won eight games for A's in 1947

**Lou Kirovac** Kicker spent four years in NFL

**Joseph Brooks Dodge** Two-time Olympic skier

**Gordon Eaton** Skied in 1960 Olympics

**Bob Hilliard** Sports editor for 50 years

**Carol Ann Sullivan** Won Soap Box Derby in 1982

## NEW JERSEY

**Carl Lewis** Won nine Olympic gold medals

**Rick Barry** Averaged 23.2 points in NBA

**Franco Harris** Eight-time 1,000-yard rusher

**Amos Alonzo Stagg** Seminal football coach

**Marty Liquori** Ran four-minute mile in HS

**Goose Goslin** Hall of Famer hit .316 in career

**Joe Medwick** National League MVP in 1937

**Anne Donovan** Thrice basketball All-America

**Renaldo Nehemiah** Hurdles world-record holder

**Mickey Walker** Held two boxing titles in 1920s

**Dick Button** Five-time world figure skating champ

**Monte Irvin** All-state in four sports in high school

**Jersey Joe Walcott** Heavyweight champ

**Larry Doby** First AL black player

**Bill Parcells** Coached two NFL champions

**Lou Creekmur** Eight-time Pro Bowl lineman

**Drew Pearson** Caught 489 passes for Cowboys

**Carol Blazejowski** Three-time hoops All-America

**Paul Robeson** Earned 12 letters at Rutgers

**Jim Ringo** Eight-time All-Pro center for Packers

**Charlie Berry** NFL All-Pro and official, AL umpire

**John Van Ryn** Top doubles tennis player

**Henry Wittenberg** Wrestler won gold in 1948

**Gene Wettstone** Penn State gymnastics coach

**Cathy Rush** Immaculata College basketball coach

**Joe Theismann** QB of Redskins' 1983 champs

**Mel Sheppard** Four Olympic track gold medals

**Alex Wojciechowicz** NFL Hall of Fame center

**Debbie Meyer** Swimmer won three gold medals

**George Mehnert** Twice Olympic wrestling champ

**Irving Fryar** All-America wingback at Nebraska

**Gus Lesnevich** Light heavyweight boxing champ

**Frank Cumiskey** Won five AAU gymnastics titles

**Deron Cherry** Six-time Pro Bowl safety

**Doc Cramer** Five-time All-Star outfielder

**Ron Dayne** Heisman Trophy winner in 1999

**Milt Campbell** 1956 Olympic decathlon champ

**Rosay Grier** Standout lineman with Giants, Rams

**Don Newcombe** 27-7 in 1956 with Dodgers

**Bill Larned** Won U.S. singles titles from 1907 to '11

**Lydeil Mitchell** Had 29 TDs at Penn State in 1971

**Orel Hershisier** Cy Young winner in 1988

**Tom Heinsohn** Played on eight NBA champions

**Dick Savitt** 1951 Wimbledon, Australian champ

**Ernest Blood** 200-1 as Passaic High hoops coach

**Mike Rozier** Won Heisman Trophy in 1983

**Charlie Jamieson** Hit .303 from 1915 to '32

**Tom Courtney** Won two Olympic golds in track

**Joseph Burk** World's top sculler from 1937 to '41

**Claudio Reyna** National soccer team midfielder



## NEW MEXICO

**Ralph Kiner** Led NL in homers from 1946 to '52

**Al Unser Sr.** Four-time Indy 500 champion

**Nancy Lopez** Gaffer won more than \$5 million

**Kathy Whitworth** 88 victories on LPGA tour

**Bobby Unser** Three-time Indy 500 champion

**Everett Bowman** World champ cowboy in 1930s

**Jim Everett** Passed for 34,837 yards in NFL

**Al Unser Jr.** Two-time Indy 500 champion

**Mike Smith** Top jockey in 1993 and '94

**Ralph Tasker** 1,122-291 as HS basketball coach

**Johnny Tapia** WBO super flyweight champ in 1994

**Trent Dimas** Olympic horizontal bar gold in 1992

**Ralph Neely** Cowboys' star offensive lineman

**Ben Abruzzo, Maxie Anderson, Larry Newman** First balloonists to cross the Atlantic

**Rosie Jones** Victor in 10 LPGA tour events

**Tom Brookshier** Played seven years with Eagles

**Duane Ward** Blue Jay closer had 45 saves in 1993

**Bob Foster** Light heavyweight champ, 1969 to '74

**Cathy Carr** Won two swimming golds in 1972

**Robby Unser** IRL's Rookie of the Year in 1998

**Steve Ontiveros** 3.62 ERA in nine-year career

**Tommy McDonald** Star receiver in 1950s and '60s

**Bob Crosby** Top all-around cowboy in 1925

**Notah Begay III** Two wins as PGA rookie in 1999

**Charmayne James** World barrel-racing champ

**Bill Bridges** Scored 11,012 points in NBA career

**Conrad Hamilton** In fourth year with NFL Giants

**Roy Cooper** All-around rodeo champion in 1983

**Shane Andrews** Cubs third baseman

**Sean Murphy** Second on Nike tour's money list

**Danny Romero** 127-5 as amateur fighter

**Terry (Tito) Landrum** Orioles' 1983 playoff hero

**Larry White** Passed up NFL for dental school

**Timmy Smith** MVP of Super Bowl XXII

**Chuck Hill** Star kick-return man for New Mexico

**Ronnie Black** 18 years on the PGA Tour

**Sam Etcheberry** Cardinals QB in 1961 and '62

**Brian Urlacher** New Mexico All-America in 1999

**Bobby Newcombe** Versatile Nebraska footballer

**Bob Breitenstein** NFL lineman from 1965 to '70

**Carlos Etheredge** Dolphins and Colts tight end

**Rod Nichols** New Mexico alum, 11 big league wins

**Frank Giddens** Eagles tackle in 1981 and '82

**Larry Harlow** Orioles, Angels outfielder, 1975 to '81

**Toby Roybal** Four-sport star at Santa Fe High

**Dewey Bohling** 26-game NFL career

**Dave Sherer** Punted for Colts and Cowboys

**Stan David** Bills linebacker in 1984

**Jeff Taylor** Star Texas Tech forward, 1979 to '82

**Gary Johnson** Governor competed in Ironman

## NEW YORK

**Jim Brown** No one better in football—or lacrosse

**Kareem Abdul-Jabbar** NBA's No. 1 alltime scorer

**Sugar Ray Robinson** 175-19-6 as middleweight

**Lou Gehrig** .340, 493 homers and 1,995 RBIs

**Julius Erving** ABA sensation, NBA MVP in 1981

**Sandy Koufax** 2.76 ERA before retiring at 30

**Vince Lombardi** Leader of the Pack

**John McEnroe** 17 Grand Slam tennis titles

**Pop Warner** 59-12-4 as Pitt coach from 1915 to '23

**Althea Gibson** Won Wimbledon and U.S. titles

**Red Auerbach** Took Celtics to eight straight titles

**Walter Hagen** 40 PGA wins from 1916 to '36

**Hank Greenberg** Four-time AL home run king

**Sid Luckman** Five NFL title games in seven years

**Gertrude Ederle** First woman to swim the Channel

**Joe Paterno** Led Penn State to 19 bowl games

**Gene Tunney** Heavyweight champ, 1926 to '28

**John McGraw** .334 hitter became .586 manager

**Bob Cousy** Eight-time NBA assists leader

**Eddie Collins** .333 over 25-year big league career

**David Stern** Directed NBA boom

**Gene Sarazen** Won each of golf's Grand Slams

**Al Davis** AFL commissioner, Raiders owner

**Lenny Wilkens** Hoops great as player and coach

**Marvin Miller** Labor leader changed baseball

**Nancy Lieberman-Cline** Women's hoops pioneer

**Al Oerter** Four Olympic gold medals in discus

**Benny Leonard** Lightweight champ, 1917 to '25

**Roone Arledge** Innovative ABC Sports president

**Floyd Patterson** Two-time heavyweight champ

**Warren Spahn** Most wins by a lefty (363)

**Carl Yastrzemski** 1967 Triple Crown winner

**Bob Beamon** Destroyed long jump record in 1968

**Whitey Ford** Record 10 World Series victories

**Mike Tyson** Youngest heavyweight champ

**John Davis** Set 19 weightlifting world records

**Rick Carey** Three swimming golds at 1984 Games

**John Mackey** Revolutionized tight end play

**Pat Riley** NBA vet took Lakers to four titles

**Billy Cunningham** Three-time All-NBA

**Joe Durso** Winner of 15 U.S. handball titles

**Red Holzman** NBA title as player, two as coach

**Ralph DePalma** Won 2,557 of 2,889 auto races

**Connie Hawkins** Playground legend, NBA All-Star

**Dolph Schayes** 18.5 ppg over 16 years in NBA

**Frankie Frisch** Giants infielder was 1931 NL MVP

**Chamique Holdseclaw** Seven HS, NCAA hoops titles

**Able Grossfeld** World gymnastics champ twice

**Frank McGuire** 100 wins each at three colleges

**Rocky Graziano** Middleweight champ, 1947 to '48

## NORTH CAROLINA

**Michael Jordan** His Airness

**Richard Petty** Seven-time Daytona 500 champ

**Buck Leonard** Heart of Homestead Grays dynasty

**David Thompson** N.C. State basketball great

**John Lucas** Basketball and tennis All-America

**Dale Earnhardt** Alltime NASCAR money leader

**Cattfish Hunter** Won 20 or more from 1971 to '75

**James Worthy** Seven-time NBA All-Star

**Sonny Jurgensen** Redskins Pro Bowl quarterback

**Ray Floyd** In 1992 won on PGA and Senior tours

**Enos Slaughter** Averaged .300 over 19 seasons

**Gaylord Perry** Cy Young winner in both leagues

**Bobby Bell** Eight-time All-AFL linebacker

**Charlie Justice** 4,883 yards of offense at UNC

**Hoyt Wilhelm** Pitched in 1,070 games, 1952 to '72

**Phil Ford** North Carolina's leading career scorer

**Dominique Wilkins** NBA All-Star nine times

**Charlie Sifford** First black man to win PGA event

**Carl Eller** Six-time All-Pro defensive end

**Jim Beatty** First sub-four-minute indoor miler

**Bob McAdoo** Led NBA in scoring three times

**Roman Gabriel** NFL MVP with Rams in 1969

**Al Dowtin** Wake Forest golf coach, 1920s hoops star

**Sam Jones** Helped Celtics win 10 NBA titles

**Dwight Clark** Caught The Catch in 1981

**Lou Hudson** 20.2 career NBA scoring average

**Dale Jarrett** 1999 Winston Cup champion

**Wes Ferrell** Six-time 20-game winner

**Walter Davis** An NBA All-Star six times

**Bobby Jones** One of basketball's top defenders

**Wimpy Lassiter** Greatest nine-ball player ever

**Walt Bellamy** Hoops All-America at Indiana

**Smokey Burgess** Five-time All-Star catcher

**Prince Nufer Dixon** Star swimmer of 1930s, '40s

**Cedric Maxwell** MVP of 1981 NBA Finals

**Kathy McMillan** Long jump silver in Montreal

**Mike Caldwell** Struck out 36 in 18-inning HS game

**Lee Petty** 1954, '58 and '59 NASCAR champion

**Junior Johnson** Won 50 Winston Cup races

**Floyd Simmons** UNC's best all-around athlete

**Meadowlark Lemon** Fixture of the Globetrotters

**Buck Baker** Winston Series champ 1956 and '57

**Andrea Stinson** Thrice N.C. State's top hoops scorer

**Brad Daugherty** NBA Cavs' career scoring leader

**Harvie Ward Jr.** Twice won the U.S. Amateur

**Ned Jarrett** NASCAR pioneer won 50 races

**Buck Williams** 1982 NBA Rookie of the Year

**Francis Rogallo** Father of Hang Gliding

**Charlie Sanders** Lions Pro Bowl tight end

**Walter (Teapot) Frye** Slick-fielding HS shortstop

## NORTH DAKOTA

**Roger Maris** 61 in '61, AL MVP in 1960 and '61

**Phil Jackson** Coached Bulls to six NBA titles

**Darin Erstad** Angels outfielder, multisport HS star

**Andy Hampsten** International cycling champion

**Lute Olson** Coached 1997 NCAA hoops champs

**Cliff Cushman** Silver medal in hurdles in Rome

**Cliff (Fido) Purpur** First North Dakotan in NHL

**Amy Ruley** College women's hoops coach

**John Bennett** No. 2 in long jump at 1956 Olympics

**Virgil Hill** Light heavyweight champion

**Casper Dimeo** Ski jump champion

**Brad Gjernundson** Top saddle bronc rider

**Dale Brown** Winningest LSU hoops coach

**Pete Retzlaff** Five-time Pro Bowl pick

**Sid Cichy** Shanley High football coach

**Dave Osborn** Star Vikings running back

**Rick Helling** 20-game winner in 1998

**Bob Wiese** Three-sport star at Michigan

**Brian Voss** PBA bowler of the year in 1988

**Phil Hansen** Bills defensive end has 56½ sacks

**Steve Myhra** Colts record-setting kicker

**Steve Blehm** High-scoring basketball guard

**Ron Erhardt** Patriots coach from 1979 to '81

**Pat Smykowski** North Dakota State hoops star

**Don Barcome Jr.** Champion curler

**Ken Hunt** 25 homers in 1961 with Angels

**Jim Kleinsasser** All-America tight end

**Glenn Hansen** Top career scorer in state hoops

**Janelle Bakken** Snowmobiling record holder

**Jeff Boschee** Point guard at Kansas

**Randy Hedberg** Star quarterback at Minot State

**Kami Anderson** Scored 1,141 points at Stanford

**Bob Feeney** 234-110-1 as HS football coach

**Corey Ihmels** 1991 U.S. cross-country champ

**Nadine Schmidt** Division II Final Four MVP

**Al Dosch** HS football coach with 229-61-4 mark

**Brooks Bollinger** Wisconsin's quarterback

**Jeff Panzer** North Dakota hockey star

**Dick Tschider** Football star at North Dakota State

**Shane McMenamy** Junior Amateur golf champ

**Les Jepsen** Played two years in NBA

**Tanya Fischer** State's 1993 Miss Basketball

**Doug Beaudoin** Six years as NFL defensive back

**Lynn Nelson** Pitched for three teams, seven years

**Sheri Kleinsasser** North Dakota hoops star

**Ron Green** Browns' wideout in 1967 and '68

**George Rulon** American Legion Baseball pioneer

**Julie Bosch** Dominates I Made the Hill 10K

**Justin Flitschock** NDSU baseball record holder

**Tony Satter** Star running back at NDSU



## OHIO

**Jesse Owens** Four golds at Hitler's 1936 Games  
**Jack Nicklaus** Won 18 major golf championships  
**Pete Rose** Banned baseball hit king  
**Archie Griffin** Only two-time Heisman winner  
**Paul Brown** College, pro football coaching icon  
**Mike Schmidt** Phillies slugger won 10 Gold Gloves  
**John Havlicek** Helped Celtics to eight titles  
**George Sisler** Twice hit .400 for St. Louis Browns  
**Marion Motley** Leading AAFC ground-gainer  
**Edwin Moses** Twice won Olympic gold in hurdles  
**Don Shula** Alltime winningest pro football coach  
**Ken Griffey Jr.** 10-time All-Star, 1997 AL MVP  
**Roger Staubach** Navy star won two Super Bowls  
**Calvin Jones** 1955 Outland Trophy winner at Iowa  
**Phil Niekro** Knuckleballer won 324 games  
**Bobby Knight** NCAA hoops titles as player, coach  
**Woody Hayes** Coached Ohio State to five titles  
**Rollie Fingers** Mustachioed reliever had 341 saves  
**Jerry Lucas** Took Buckeyes to three NCAA finals  
**Thurman Munson** Six-time AL All-Star backstop  
**Len Dawson** Led Chiefs to victory in Super Bowl IV  
**Scott Hamilton** Four figure skating world titles  
**Jack Lambert** In the middle of the Steel Curtain  
**Madeline Manning** In 1968 won 800 gold medal  
**Willie Davenport** Olympic hurdles champ in 1968  
**Howard (Hopalong) Cassady** Won 1955 Heisman  
**Barry Larkin** Reds' 10-time All-Star shortstop  
**Tony Trabert** Won 30 tennis tournaments in 1955  
**Branch Rickey** Dodgers boss integrated majors  
**Lou Groza** Played in 13 pro football title games  
**Harold Anderson** Longtime college hoops coach  
**Shirley Fry** Won all four tennis majors  
**Nate Thurmond** Big man played 14 years in NBA  
**James Jeffries** Heavyweight champ, 1899 to 1910  
**Paul Warfield** Buckeyes, Browns, Dolphins wideout  
**Glenn Davis** Set Olympic records in 400 hurdles  
**Elmer Flick** Batted .313 over 13-year career  
**John Heisman** Football coaching pioneer  
**Alan Page** Nine-time Pro Bowl defensive lineman  
**Larry Csonka** Bruising running back  
**Aaron Pryor** WBA junior welterweight champ  
**Chuck Noll** Winning coach of four Super Bowls  
**Rube Marquard** Lefty went 73-28 over three years  
**Johnny Kilbane** Featherweight champ, 1912 to '23  
**Cris Carter** All-America Buckeye, All-Pro Viking  
**Ezzard Charles** Heavyweight champ, 1950 to '51  
**Dave Wottle** Gold in 800 meters in Munich  
**Dick Kazmaier** Princeton back won 1951 Heisman  
**Gus Johnson** Six-time NBA All-Star  
**Bernie Kosar** Quarterbacked Miami to college title

## OKLAHOMA

**Jim Thorpe** America's greatest all-around athlete  
**Mickey Mantle** 536 homers, 1956 Triple Crown  
**Johnny Bench** Twice NL MVP, 10 Gold Gloves  
**Steve Largent** Six-time All-Pro, 819 catches  
**Lee Roy Selmon** Sooners, Bucs dominating end  
**Carl Hubbell** Five straight 20-win seasons  
**Steve Owens** 1969 Heisman winner at Oklahoma  
**Paul (Big Poison) Waner** Three NL batting titles  
**Lloyd (Little Poison) Waner** Hit .355 as rookie  
**Allie Reynolds** Threw two no-hitters in 1952  
**Joe Carter** 396 career home runs  
**Billy Vessels** Won 1952 Heisman at Oklahoma  
**Darrell Royal** Coached Texas to two national titles  
**Jim Shoulders** 16 rodeo titles in 1940s and '50s  
**Marcus Haynes** Slick Globetrotters ball handler  
**John Smith** Won wrestling gold in 1988 and '92  
**Don Haskins** 719 victories as UTEP hoops coach  
**Troy Aikman** Led Cowboys to three NFL titles  
**Wayman Tisdale** Three-time hoops All-America  
**Bobby Murcer** Five-time Yankees All-Star  
**Bruce Drake** Coached Sooners to 200 hoops wins  
**Jack Jacobs** Oklahoma alum became CFL star  
**Harry (the Cat) Brecheen** 20-7 in 1948  
**Shannon Miller** Golden gymnast at 1996 Games  
**John (Pepper) Martin** Cards 1931 Series hero  
**Danny Hodge** NCAA wrestling champ in 1950s  
**Susie Maxwell Berning** 11 LPGA tour titles  
**Glenn Dobbs** Tulsa punter and coach  
**Bob Fenimore** Oklahoma A & M grid star  
**Neill Armstrong** Star wideout at Oklahoma A & M  
**Steve Owen** Led Giants to two NFL titles  
**Jerry Adair** Sure-fielding Orioles second baseman  
**Gene Conley** Won NBA and World Series titles  
**Labron Harris** Oklahoma A & M golf coach  
**Alvan Adams** Suns-record 13,910 points  
**Billy Tubbs** 519-244 as college hoops coach  
**Charles Coe** Two-time U.S. Amateur golf champ  
**Abe Lemons** 597 wins in 34 years coaching hoops  
**Freckles Brown** Bull-riding legend rode Tornado  
**Prentice Gautt** Sooners' first black football player  
**Mark Price** Four-time NBA All-Star  
**John (Skip) Levi** All-America fullback at Haskell  
**Clendon Thomas** Star of 1956 champ Sooners  
**Lindy McDaniel** Three-time NL saves leader  
**Sean O'Grady** Lightweight champion  
**Gil Morgan** 15 victories on the Senior tour  
**Bryant Reeves** Oklahoma State's Big Country  
**Port Robertson** Sooners, Olympic wrestling coach  
**Ed Gallagher** Father of collegiate wrestling  
**Bertha Teague** 1,157-115 as girls' hoops coach

## OREGON

**Danny Ainge** 14 seasons in NBA, three in majors  
**Steve Prefontaine** Oregon running sensation  
**Don Schollander** Swam to four golds in Tokyo  
**Terry Baker** Oregon State's 1962 Heisman winner  
**Bob Lilly** Lineman went to 11 Pro Bowls with Dallas  
**Mel Renfro** 10-time Pro Bowl player  
**Larry Mahan** World rodeo champ six times  
**Dale Murphy** Two-time MVP with Braves  
**Dick Fosbury** Flopped to high jump gold in 1968  
**Dan O'Brien** Won decathlon gold in Atlanta  
**Dave Wilcox** Five-time All-Pro with 49ers  
**Phil Knight** Oregon track letterman, Nike founder  
**Terrell Brandon** Two-time NBA All-Star  
**Mickey Lolich** Tigers' ace in 1968 Series win  
**Bill Johnson** First in 1984 Olympic downhill  
**George Shaw** No. 1 pick of 1955 NFL draft  
**A.C. Green** NBA ironman never misses a game  
**Joe Gordon** Batted .322, was AL MVP in 1942  
**Neil Lomax** Record-setting Portland State QB  
**Marshall Holman** Won 22 PBA events  
**Les Gutchess** Two-time NCAA wrestling champ  
**Tonya Harding** Twice U.S. figure skating champ  
**Todd Christensen** Five-time All-Pro tight end  
**Arnie Weinmeister** Giants' four-time All-NFL pick  
**Damon Stoudamire** Arizona, NBA star guard  
**Dave Husted** Bowler has won three U.S. Opens  
**Bill Bowerman** 117-20 as Oregon track coach  
**Carol Menken-Schaudt** Won hoops gold in 1984  
**Joni Huntley** Set U.S. high jump records  
**Steve Jones** ABA, NBA All-Star  
**Mel Counts** Oregon State All-America hoopster  
**Chris Miller** Set 13 passing records at Oregon  
**Peter Jacobsen** Has six PGA Tour victories  
**Jean Saubert** Won two Alpine medals in 1964  
**Howard (Hobby) Hobson** Coach of "Tall Firs"  
**Mac Wilkins** Discus gold medalist in 1976  
**Vic Sears** All-America tackle at Oregon State  
**Laddie Gale** Oregon basketball star in late 1930s  
**Amory Gill** Oregon State hoops coach  
**Johnny Pesky** Red Sox shortstop hit .331 in 1942  
**Bill Smith** Won wrestling gold at 1952 Olympics  
**Rick Sanders** Portland State wrestling star  
**Ken Williams** 39 homers, 155 RBIs in 1922  
**Margaret Dobson** Softball standout in 1950s  
**Scott Brosius** 1998 World Series MVP for Yanks  
**Charlie Sitton** Oregon State hoops star  
**Dorothy Teuber** Won two Olympic diving medals  
**Larry Jansen** Twice a 20-game winner  
**Harold Reynolds** Stole 60 bases for 1987 Mariners  
**Katy Stedling** Star for 1990 hoops champ Stanford

## PENNSYLVANIA

**Wilt Chamberlain** A force like no other  
**Arnold Palmer** Army was with him in 60 Tour wins  
**Johnny Unitas** Louisville alum, NFL legend  
**Josh Gibson** Slugged some 800 homers  
**Joe Montana** Took 49ers to four Super Bowl wins  
**Bill Tilden** Tennis world's best from 1920 to '25  
**Honus Wagner** Hit .300 or better 17 straight years  
**Dan Marino** Holds most NFL passing records  
**Stan Musial** Appeared in 24 All-Star Games  
**Christy Mathewson** Four-time 30-game winner  
**Joe Namath** QB backed up boasts on the field  
**Larry Holmes** Heavyweight champ, 1978 to '85  
**Tony Dorsett** Heisman winner took Pitt to 1976 title  
**Eddie Plank** Lefty won 20 or more eight times  
**Reggie Jackson** Mr. October hit 563 homers  
**George Blanda** 26 years as kicker and quarterback  
**Nellie Fox** White Sox 12-time All-Star  
**Earl Monroe** NBA Rookie of the Year in 1968  
**Roy Campanella** Three-time NL MVP  
**Betsy King** First on LPGA money list  
**Billy Conn** Light heavyweight champ, 1939 to '41  
**Charley Trippi** Versatile star of NFL Cardinals  
**Mario Andretti** Daytona, Indy, Formula One champ  
**Fred Biletnikoff** Raiders receiving great  
**Joe McCarthy** Managed Yankees to six titles  
**Mike Powell** Long jump world-record holder  
**Lenny Moore** Five-time All-Pro back with Colts  
**Ernie Davis** Syracuse Heisman winner in 1961  
**Ed Walsh** 40-15 for White Sox in 1908  
**Chuck Bednarik** Incomparable two-way player  
**Mike Piazza** Seven-time All-Star catcher  
**Bill Hartack** Rode five Derby winners  
**Paul Costello** Rowed to gold in three Olympics  
**Jack Kelly** Greatest sculler ever  
**Rube Waddell** Had four straight 20-win seasons  
**Art Rooney** Amateur boxer founded Steelers  
**Willie Mosconi** 15-time pocket billiards champ  
**Mike Ditka** Top tight end, Chicago coaching hero  
**Vic Seixas** Won 13 Grand Slam doubles titles  
**Harry Greb** 264-23-12 as boxer from 1913 to '26  
**Emilen Tunnell** NFL Giants star from 1948 to '58  
**Leon Hart** First lineman to win Heisman, in 1949  
**Leroy Kelly** 7,274 yards as Browns running back  
**Jim Kelly** College star at Miami, pro star for Bills  
**Dick Groat** Duke double All-America, NL MVP 1960  
**Ken Griffey Sr.** 2,143 hits and .296 career average  
**Herb Adderley** Had 48 interceptions in NFL  
**Walter Tewksbury** Five track medals in 1900  
**Herb Pennock** 241-162 in 22 seasons in the AL  
**Suzie McConnell Serio** Penn State, WNBA star



## RHODE ISLAND

**Nap Lajoie** Hit AL-record .422 in 1901

**Davey Lopes** Four-time baseball All-Star

**Joe Mullaney** 319-164 hoops record at Providence

**Mark van Eeghen** Colgate's career rushing leader

**Ernie DiGregorio** 1974 NBA Rookie of the Year

**Bill Belisle** Hockey coach has 22 state titles

**Glenna Collett Vare** Won six U.S. Amateurs

**Vinny Pazienza** Held two IBF boxing titles

**Pat (Doc) Abbruzzi** Legendary HS football coach

**Lou Lamoriello** Built 1995 NHL champ Devils

**Clara Lamore Walker** 10 masters swim records

**Gerry Philbin** Two-time AFL All-Star with Jets

**Ernie Calverly** Rhode Island hoops star of 1940s

**Steve Furness** Lineman in four Super Bowls

**Wilma Briggs** Star in Girls Pro Baseball League

**Dave Gavitt** Coached Providence to Final Four

**Norm Taber** Set world mile record of 4:12.6 in 1915

**Brian Lawton** First American No. 1 NHL draft pick

**Billy Almon** Played 15 major league seasons

**Chris Terrell** Providence and Devils goaltender

**Roland Hemond** One of baseball's top executives

**Frank (Monk) Maznicki** NFL running back

**Hank Soar** Two-way Giants star, 1937 to '46

**Ron Wilson** Led Capitals to 1998 Stanley Cup finals

**Harold (Chubby) Gomes** 1959 boxing champ

**Marvin (Bad News) Barnes** ABA bad boy

**Bryan Berard** 1997 NHL rookie of the year

**Janet Moreau** Won Olympic relay gold in 1952

**Tom Garrick** Star hoops guard at Rhode Island

**Keith Carney** Olympic and Coyotes defenseman

**Mike Cloud** Set Boston College rushing mark

**John Dias** Coached four HS basketball teams

**Joe Hassett** A top NBA three-point shooter

**Tom Mellor** Got hockey silver at 1972 Olympics

**Clem Labine** Two-time All-Star pitcher

**Lou Gorman** Built 1986 AL-champ Red Sox

**John Parker** Olympic water polo bronze medalist

**Rob Gaudreau** Top defenseman at Providence

**Jerry Kapstein** Agent was pioneer of free agency

**Gerald Kilmartin** Hockey silver at 1952 Olympics

**Brad Faxon** Six-time PGA Tour winner

**Brian Amaral** Star of 1997 state football champs

**Chet Nichols** Braves rookie led NL in ERA in 1951

**Dana Quigley** Victor in three Senior PGA events

**Roland Rodrigues** All-state back at Bristol High

**Sara DeCosta** Goalie won gold at 1998 Olympics

**Hugh Duffy** Career .324 hitter

**Julie Greene** 11-time state golf champion

**Jimmy Van Allen** Devised tennis tiebreaker

**Bobby Doyle** Seven-time marathon champ

## SOUTH CAROLINA

**Joe Frazier** Heavyweight champ from 1970 to '73

**"Shoeless" Joe Jackson** Lifetime .356 hitter

**Pete Maravich** 44.2 ppg scorer at LSU, 1966 to '70

**Art Shell** Eight-time Pro Bowl offensive tackle

**Felix (Doc) Blanchard** Won 1945 Heisman at Army

**Betsy Rawls** Fifth on LPGA money, victories lists

**David Pearson** In 27 years won 105 NASCAR races

**Alex English** Averaged 21.5 points in NBA career

**Jim Rice** 1978 American League MVP with Red Sox

**Harry Carson** Linebacker for champion Giants

**Marty Marion** Six-time All-Star shortstop

**Beth Daniel** Winner of 32 LPGA events

**Al Rosen** 1953 AL MVP and four-time All-Star

**Cale Yarborough** Won three Winston Cup titles

**Kevin Garnett** Jumped from HS to NBA in 1995

**Chino Smith** Hit .423 in Negro leagues

**Bob Montgomery** Lightweight champ, 1943 to '47

**Larry Nance** NBA Cavaliers retired his number

**Bobby Richardson** Hit .305 in 36 Series games

**Katrina McClain** Two-time hoops gold medalist

**Charlie Waters** Three Pro Bowls as Cowboys safety

**Mookie Wilson** Mets outfielder stole 327 bases

**Bobo Newsom** 21-5, 2.83 ERA with 1920 Tigers

**Xavier McDaniel** 1984-85 NCAA scoring leader

**Stanley Morgan** Four-time Pro Bowl receiver

**Gorman Thomas** Hit 268 homers in 13 seasons

**Donnie Shell** Steelers safety made five Pro Bowls

**Dave Meggett** Running back in two Super Bowls

**Levon Kirkland** All-America, All-Pro linebacker

**LaMarr Hoyt** 1983 Cy Young Award winner

**William Perry** Force on D for 1985 champion Bears

**Robert Porcher** Lions' No. 1 pick in 1992

**Steve Fuller** Clemson's 1978 Gator Bowl MVP

**Dan Driessen** 1,464 hits in 15 seasons

**Charlie Brown** Redskins wideout in two Pro Bowls

**Robert Brooks** 102 receptions for Pack in 1995

**Terry Kinard** Clemson All-America safety

**Freddie Solomon** In two Super Bowls with Niners

**Harold Green** Rushed for 4,250 yards in NFL

**Bill Spiers** Clemson punter and Astros utilityman

**Tony Rice** Led Notre Dame to 12-0 mark in 1988

**Stanford Jennings** Furman, Bengals speedster

**Willie Mays Aikens** Four homers in 1980 Series

**Brian Williams** South Carolina ace, 1988 to '90

**J.C. Caroline** Two-way back for Bears, 1956 to '65

**Jim Stuckey** Won two rings with 49ers

**Anthuan Maybank** Won track relay gold in 1996

**George Webster** 1967 AFL Rookie of the Year

**Billy O'Dell** All-Star pitcher in 1958 and '59

**Van Lingle Mungo** 120-115 over 14 seasons

## SOUTH DAKOTA

**Billy Mills** Set Olympic 10,000-meter mark in 1964

**Frank Leahy** Coached Notre Dame to five titles

**Garney Henley** CFL All-Star nine straight years

**Marlene Hagge** Won 25 LPGA events, 1952 to '72

**Casey Tibbs** Nine-time all-around cowboy champ

**Jack Manders** Bears' three-time All-Pro halfback

**Randy Lewis** 1984 wrestling gold medalist

**Dave Collins** Hit .303 with 79 steals for 1980 Reds

**George Amundson** Set national HS discus mark

**Earl Sande** Rode Gallant Fox to 1930 Triple Crown

**Dick Green** World champion A's second baseman

**Pug Manders** In 1941 led NFL in rushing

**Ordell Braase** Twice went to Pro Bowl as Colt

**Buster Charles** U.S. decathlon champion in 1930

**Kris Tschetter** Earned \$1.7 million on LPGA tour

**Carroll Hardy** Only one to pinch-hit for Ted Williams

**Wayne Rasmussen** 16 interceptions for Lions

**Leonard Lovely** Creighton hoops All-America

**John Dutton** 14 seasons with Colts, Cowboys

**Weert Engelmann** South Dakota State track star

**Frank Kelley** Set world hurdles records in 1925

**Cindy Greiner** State's only three-time Olympian

**Jim Iverson** Kansas State hoops star in 1950-51

**Ron DeHaven** A top marathoner in 1999

**Joe Mendel** Dominated state track meet in 1926

**Don Jacobsen** South Dakota State hoops star

**Mike Miller** Twice state prep athlete of the year

**Cornie Collin** Creighton football, hoops captain

**Doug Wolfgang** More than 500 sprint-car wins

**Jim Scott** 107-113 for White Sox, later an umpire

**Bill Scherr** Got wrestling bronze at 1988 Olympics

**Urban Odson** All-America tackle at Minnesota

**Steph Schueler** All-Big Ten in hoops at Iowa

**Larry Jacobson** 1971 Outland Trophy winner

**Bob Stransky** No. 2 in nation in rushing in 1957

**Tom Byrum** Has made \$2.3 million on PGA Tour

**Fred Hecker** High school hoops, track and golf star

**Jim Scherr** Twice world silver medalist in wrestling

**Eric Platkowski** State's Mr. Basketball in 1989

**Dave Gassman** Amateur baseball star for 34 years

**John Simko** HS tennis star, college football star

**Dennis Koslowski** Two Olympic wrestling medals

**Curt Byrum** Won \$1.7 million on PGA Tour

**Jeremy Sonnenfeld** Bowled first 900 series

**Becky Hammon** Top WAC hoopster for three years

**Becky Flynn** State's No. 1 girls' hoops scorer

**Lincoln McClravy** Won three NCAA wrestling titles

**Fred Gushurst** 1913 All-America end at Notre Dame

**Kirk Wallman** Six-time state wrestling champion

**Neil Graff** All-Big Ten for Wisconsin in 1970

## TENNESSEE

**Wilma Rudolph** Won three sprint golds in 1960

**Pat Summitt** Coached Lady Vols to six NCAA titles

**Reggie White** NFL career sacks leader

**Tracy Caulkins** Set five world swimming records

**Steve Spurrier** Heisman winner at Florida

**Doug Atkins** Three-time All-Pro defensive end

**Nera White** 15-time AAU basketball All-America

**Ed (Too Tall) Jones** Cowboys star defensive end

**Robert Neyland** 173-31-12 as Vols football coach

**Cary Middlecoff** Won 39 PGA tournaments

**Carl Hinkle** All-America lineman at Vanderbilt

**Bailey Howell** Played in six NBA All-Star Games

**Claude Osteen** Won 196 major league games

**Johnny Majors** 1956 Heisman runner-up

**Anfernee Hardaway** Four-time NBA All-Star

**Nikki McCray** Twice SEC hoops player of the year

**John Head** Won 11 women's AAU basketball titles

**Tommy Bridges** Was 194-138 in 16 seasons

**Tim McCarver** Major league catcher for 21 years

**Aline Sprouse** Women's hoops star of the 1940s

**Bill Wade** Vanderbilt QB was No. 1 pick in 1952

**Joe Gilliam** Tennessee State's best quarterback

**Jim (Junior) Gilliam** Twice an All-Star for Dodgers

**Herman Hickman** All-America, NFL All-Pro guard

**Mason Rudolph** Won six times on PGA Tour

**Clyde Milan** Led AL in steals in 1912 and '13

**Claude Humphrey** Six Pro Bowls with Falcons

**Norm Stearns** 50 homers in Negro leagues in 1924

**Josh Cody** Earned 13 letters at Vanderbilt

**Clyde Lee** Vandy center played 10 NBA seasons

**Bowden Wyatt** All-America end for Vols in 1938

**Steve Sloan** Alabama QB from 1963 to '65

**Elliot Perry** Memphis State guard, 1987 to '91

**Charles McTerry** National HS wrestling champ

**Phillip Fulmer** Coached Vols to 1999 football title

**Ron Mercer** All-America forward at Kentucky

**Bobby Dodd** Coached Georgia Tech to 13 bowls

**Joe Steffy** 1947 Outland Trophy winner at Army

**Jess Neely** Coached Rice to six bowl games

**Lou Graham** 1975 U.S. Open golf champion

**Teddy Rhodes** Helped break PGA color barrier

**William Wade** Guided Alabama to two grid titles

**Bob Suffridge** Standout lineman at Tennessee

**Dana Bible** 205-73-20 as college football coach

**Rick Honeycutt** 109 major league victories

**Tiffany Woosley** High school hoops star in 1991

**Ed Bailey** Five-time NL All-Star catcher

**Sterling Marlin** Won back-to-back Daytona 500s

**Roscoe Tanner** 1977 Australian Open champion

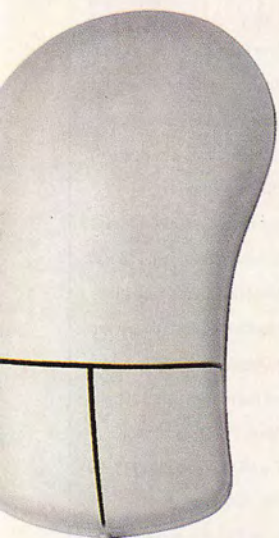
**John Tate** WBA heavyweight champ, 1979 to '80





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## TEXAS

**Babe Didrikson Zaharias** Top woman athlete  
**Ben Hogan** Four-time PGA player of the year  
**Doak Walker** Star back at SMU and in NFL  
**Rogers Hornsby** Winner of seven batting titles  
**Sammy Baugh** QB of Redskins from 1937 to '52  
**Nolan Ryan** Strikeout king had seven no-hitters  
**Byron Nelson** Won 11 straight PGA events in 1945  
**Jack Johnson** First black heavyweight champion  
**Ernie Banks** Mr. Cub hit 512 homers in 19 years  
**Michael Johnson** Best ever at 200, 400 meters  
**Earl Campbell** 1977 Heisman winner at Texas  
**Lamar Hunt** Chiefs owner vital to formation of AFL  
**George Foreman** Two-time heavyweight champ  
**"Mean" Joe Greene** Selected to 10 Pro Bowls  
**Tom Landry** Coached Cowboys from 1960 to '88  
**Tris Speaker** Hit .345 over 22 seasons  
**Dick (Night Train) Lane** Hall of Fame cornerback  
**Forrest Gregg** Nine-time Pro Bowl tackle  
**Roger Clemens** Winner of five Cy Young Awards  
**A.J. Foyt** Only driver to win Indy, Daytona, Le Mans  
**Rube Foster** Founded Negro National League  
**Eric Dickerson** Led NFL in rushing four times  
**Willie Wells** Twice led Negro leagues in hitting  
**Bobby Layne** Star quarterback at Texas and in NFL  
**Mike Singletary** Bears linebacker in 10 Pro Bowls  
**Y.A. Tittle** Two-time NFL MVP with Giants  
**Lee Trevino** Won six major golf titles  
**Sheryl Swoopes** Top NCAA hoopster in 1993  
**Bobby Joe Morrow** Won three track golds in 1956  
**Raymond Berry** Star end at SMU and with Colts  
**Clyde Drexler** 10-time NBA All-Star guard  
**Joe Williams** Negro leagues ace  
**Ross Youngs** Hit .322 for Giants from 1917 to '26  
**Jack Mildren** QB led Oklahoma to two bowls  
**David Clyde** Pitched in majors at age 18  
**Mia Hamm** Top U.S. scorer in international soccer  
**Gene Upshaw** Raiders guard and NFL union chief  
**Ken Hall** National HS record 11,232 yards rushing  
**Tim Brown** 1987 Heisman winner at Notre Dame  
**Shaquille O'Neal** Star center for LSU and Lakers  
**Norm Cash** Slugging four-time All-Star  
**Harley Redin** Title-winning women's hoops coach  
**Charley Taylor** Redskins receiver for 13 seasons  
**Yale Lary A & M** baseball star, Lions football star  
**Johnny Rutherford** Three-time Indy 500 winner  
**Jerry Levas** Record-setting SMU receiver  
**Randy Matson** Shot put gold medalist in 1968  
**Ben Crenshaw** Has won two Masters, 19 Tour titles  
**Billy Sims** 1978 Heisman winner at Oklahoma  
**Lance Armstrong** Winner of 1999 Tour de France

## UTAH

**Merlin Olsen** 13-time All-Pro defensive tackle  
**Natalie Williams** Volleyball, hoops All-America  
**Jim McMahon** Bears QB in Super Bowl XX win  
**Mac Speedie** Record-setting Browns receiver  
**Gene Fullmer** Won middleweight title in 1957  
**Bruce Hardy** State MVP in football and hoops  
**Lewis Feild** World all-around rodeo champ  
**LaVell Edwards** Coached BYU to 1984 football title  
**Larry Miller** Fast-pitch softball ace and Jazz owner  
**Blaine Lindgren** Olympic silver medal in hurdles  
**Jay Silvester** Four-time Olympic discus thrower  
**Dick Motta** Won 935 games as NBA coach  
**Bruce Hurst** Career mark of 145-113 in majors  
**Rulon Jones** Had 13½ sacks for Broncos in 1986  
**Al Cornum** Nine titles as Highland High golf coach  
**Alma Richards** First in high jump at 1912 Olympics  
**Arnie Ferrin** Four-year hoops All-America at Utah  
**Mary Bateman** Twice led nation in punting at Utah  
**Vance Law** 1988 All-Star third baseman with Cubs  
**Gifford Nielsen** Nation's top passer at BYU in 1976  
**Missy Marlowe** All-America gymnast at Utah  
**Shawn Bradley** 7' 6" basketball phenomenon  
**Ab Jenkins** Auto endurance record holder  
**Dick Nemelka** Led BYU to 1966 NIT title  
**John Thompson** Montana State hoops All-America  
**Denise Parker** Archery bronze medalist in Seoul  
**Jan Bucher** Freestyle-skiing world champion  
**Julie Krommenhoek** Utah hoops All-America  
**Danny (Little Red) Lopez** Featherweight champ  
**Fred Roberts** BYU alum played 13 seasons in NBA  
**Lori Parrish-Salvo** Three-sport star at Utah  
**Danny Vranes** All-WAC forward three times  
**Karl Schleckman** Unbeaten as Utah wrestler  
**Scott Mitchell** Set 10 NCAA passing marks at Utah  
**Dick Felt** 18 interceptions in seven AFL seasons  
**Frank Christensen** Utah's star fullback in 1932  
**Fern Gardner** Softball star and Utah hoops coach  
**Rex Layne** Decided Jersey Joe Walcott in 1950  
**Elmer (Bear) Ward** Utah State All-America center  
**Devin Durrant** Scored 27.9 ppg for BYU in 1984  
**Jan Van Noy** Led nation in interceptions in 1948  
**Stan Watts** Won NIT twice as BYU coach  
**Phil Olsen** Utah State football All-America  
**Jay Don Blake** 1980 collegiate golfer of the year  
**Herman Franks** Catcher, major league manager  
**Bruce Summerhays** Senior tour golf star  
**Wilma Swenson** Fast-pitch softball ace  
**David Freed** Davis Cup captain in 1960 and '61  
**Occhie Evans** All-state in three sports in mid-'20s  
**Doug Howard** Basketball, baseball star at BYU

## VERMONT

**Andrea Mead Lawrence** Twice won skiing golds  
**Billy Kidd** Won Olympic skiing medal in 1964  
**Bill Koch** First U.S. Olympic cross-country medalist  
**John LeClair** 50-goal scorer for Flyers  
**Albert Gutterson** Won long jump at 1912 Olympics  
**Patty Sheehan** LPGA Hall of Famer has 35 wins  
**Larry Gardner** Batted .289 from 1908 to '24  
**Clarence DeMar** Won seven Boston Marathons  
**Barbara Ann Cochran** Took skiing gold in 1972  
**Charles Adams** Founded NHL Bruins in 1924  
**Ray Collins** 84-62, 2.51 ERA as Red Sox pitcher  
**Ray Fisher** Won 110 games for Yankees and Reds  
**Marilyn Cochran** Won 1969 World Cup giant slalom  
**Larry Damon** Four-time Olympic skier  
**Robert Cochran** Eighth in 1972 Olympic downhill  
**Hilary English** Moguls skiing champ, soccer star  
**Nicole Levesque** Only Vermonter to play in WNBA  
**Laura Wilson** Four-time NCAA Nordic ski champ  
**Jeff Hughes** Punter for Nebraska in 1970 and '71  
**Bob Mitchell** Record-setting Vermont halfback  
**Jade Huntington** Set state HS hoops scoring mark  
**Jean Dubuc** 84-76 in majors from 1908 to '19  
**Lindy Cochran** U.S. team skier from 1971 to '78  
**Jeff Hastings** Fourth in 1984 Olympic ski jump  
**Larry Killick** Vermont basketball star in 1946-47  
**John Teague** Vermont All-America skier in 1980  
**Suzy Chaffee** U.S. ski team member, 1965 to '68  
**Carl Christensen** Soccer All-America at Vermont  
**Felix McGrath** Four-time U.S. slalom champion  
**Gale (Tiger) Shaw** Giant slalom and Super G skier  
**Dave Jareckie** U.S. biathlon champ in 1993  
**Ernie Johnson** Pitcher turned sportscaster  
**Rick Chaffee** U.S. team skier from 1965 to '72  
**Ann Battelle** Won moguls gold at 1999 World Cup  
**Judi St. Hilaire** Set U.S. 5-km road-race mark  
**Ralph LaPointe** College halfback, pro infielder  
**Jim McCaffrey** Holy Cross basketball star  
**Mike Evelti** High-scoring Vermont hoops forward  
**Sean Keenan** Record-setting QB at Williams  
**Jennifer Niebling** Vermont women's hoops star  
**Erin Sullivan** National HS cross-country champ  
**Scott Oliaro** Set Cornell single-game rushing mark  
**Todd Rundle** All-conference linebacker at UMass  
**Bart Farley** Vermont's All-America soccer goalie  
**Steve Shirreffs** Princeton hockey defenseman  
**Kevin Lepage** First Vermonter to race Winston Cup  
**Deb Blumen** New Hampshire field hockey star  
**Keith Cieplicki** High-scoring William & Mary guard  
**John Burchard** Middlebury football, lacrosse star  
**Jake Burton** Godfather of snowboarding

## VIRGINIA

**Arthur Ashe** Won three Grand Slam tennis events  
**Lawrence Taylor** Prototype for modern linebacker  
**Secretariat** 1973 Triple Crown winner  
**Bruce Smith** Second on NFL career sack list  
**Sam Snead** Most PGA Tour wins: 81  
**Moses Malone** Three-time NBA MVP  
**David Robinson** Eight-time All-Star with Spurs  
**Ralph Sampson** College hoops best, early 1980s  
**Willie Lanier** Six-time All-Pro middle linebacker  
**Dwight Stephenson** Dolphins Hall of Fame center  
**Grant Hill** Three-time hoops All-America at Duke  
**Benita Fitzgerald Mosley** Gold medal hurdler  
**Alonzo Mourning** Top NBA defender in 1998-99  
**Kenny Easley** Top NFL defender in 1984  
**Allen Iverson** 1998-99 NBA scoring champ  
**Clarence (Ace) Parker** Football, baseball star  
**Andre Cason** Set world indoor 60-meter dash mark  
**Herman Moore** Star receiver for Virginia, Lions  
**Roosevelt (Rosey) Brown** Giants All-Pro tackle  
**Ray Dandridge** Negro leagues star third baseman  
**Pernell Whitaker** Champ in four boxing divisions  
**Leroy Keyes** Purdue football All-America  
**Curtis Strange** Twice U.S. Open golf champ  
**Melissa Belote Ripley** Gold medal backstroker  
**Lanny Wadkins** Won 21 PGA Tour events  
**Barty Smith** Four-sport star set state shot put mark  
**Beattie Feathers** First to gain 1,000 yards in NFL  
**"Bullet" Bill Dudley** 1946 NFL rushing champ  
**Eppa Rixey** Won 266 games for Phillies and Reds  
**Charles Haley** Defensive end won five Super Bowls  
**Jake Scott** Five-time All-Pro safety for Dolphins  
**Archie Harris** Set world discus record in 1941  
**Gray Simons** Three-time NCAA wrestling champ  
**Spottswood (Spot) Poles** Negro leagues slugger  
**Sonny Randle** Virginia track, football star  
**Bobby Dandridge** Four-time NBA All-Star  
**Chris Warren** Four-time 1,000-yard rusher in NFL  
**Chandler Harper** Won 20 times on PGA Tour  
**D.J. Dozier** Led Penn State in rushing four times  
**Charles (Lefty) Driessell** Former Terps hoops coach  
**Billy Wagner** Star relief pitcher for Astros  
**Gene McEver** First Tennessee football All-America  
**Norm Snead** Played 18 years as NFL quarterback  
**Lawrence Johnson** Set U.S. pole vault record  
**Curtis Turner** Won 17 times on NASCAR circuit  
**Carroll Dale** Receiver for 14 seasons in NFL  
**Deacon Phillippe** Won 189 games in majors  
**Jack Cloud** Top William & Mary rusher, 1950 to '53  
**Frank Havens** Seven-time U.S. canoeing champ  
**Joe Smith No. 1** pick in 1995 NBA draft



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## WASHINGTON

- 1 **John Stockton** NBA all-time assists, steals leader
- 2 **Earl Anthony** Six-time PBA bowler of the year
- 3 **Phil Mahre** Three-time World Cup ski champion
- 4 **Mike Holten** Picked off eight passes in a college game
- 5 **Ryan Sadelberg** 10-time All-Star with Cubs
- 6 **Jim Whitaker** First American atop Mount Everest
- 7 **Drew Bledsoe** 25,000-plus yards passing in NFL
- 8 **Earl Averill** Hit .318 from 1929 to '41
- 9 **Michelle Akers** Women's soccer's top midfielder
- 10 **Rico Soto** 342 homers for Cubs
- 11 **JoAnne Carner** Twice a U.S. Women's Open champ
- 12 **Ahmad Rashad** Four Pro Bowls as Vikings receiver
- 13 **Rico Carty** Dodger shared 1981 World Series MVP
- 14 **Monte (Red) Badger** Played in NFL and majors
- 15 **Fred Couples** 1991, '92 PGA Tour player of the year
- 16 **Carlo H. Fraser** Skiing gold in 1948 Olympics
- 17 **Steve Mahre** Silver medal in slalom in 1984
- 18 **Fredrick Steele** Middleweight champ in 1930s
- 19 **Chas. Hanna** Drove to 61 hydroplane victories
- 20 **Ray Flaherty** Led Giants to NFL crown in 1934
- 21 **Marv Harshman** College hoops coach had 654 wins
- 22 **Al Hirsch** Two-time middleweight champ in 1930s
- 23 **Albert Johnson** Kentucky Derby-winning jockey
- 24 **Al Bucken** Coached U.S. to 1936 rowing gold
- 25 **Mal Seaford** Three-time 20-win pitcher
- 26 **Dwight Gooden** Versatile 15-year NBA veteran
- 27 **John O'Donoghue** College pitching star, pro hitting star
- 28 **Kasey Keller** U.S. goalie in 1998 soccer World Cup
- 29 **Mark Rypien** Super Bowl XXVI MVP with Redskins
- 30 **Ray Mansfield** Steelers steady center, 1964 to '76
- 31 **Ted Jones** First hydroplaner to reach 160 mph
- 32 **Pete Rademacher** Heavyweight gold in 1956
- 33 **Jack Thompson** Cougar passed for 7,818 yards
- 34 **Chris Chandler** Falcons QB in Super Bowl XXXIII
- 35 **Doris Brown Hedger** Five cross-country titles
- 36 **Tim Edwards** Four-time All-NFL with Redskins
- 37 **Harry Chan** Top amateur golfer of 1930s and '40s
- 38 **Bob Hubbard** Took Washington to 1953 Final Four
- 39 **Gary Linder** World record runner of 1960s
- 40 **Ham Coolbear** Father of Washington rowing
- 41 **Steve Edman** Top college lineman in 1991
- 42 **Don Heinrich** Led colleges in passing in 1950
- 43 **Bibi Buchan** Won Olympic yachting gold in 1984
- 44 **Randy Myers** Only reliever to save 30 for five teams
- 45 **Jaant Hopp Alkison** Seattle tennis standout
- 46 **Jeff Dorgan** NASL Rookie of the Year in 1980
- 47 **Ross Perez** Jockey with more than 6,700 wins
- 48 **Tom Smea** Winner of 1983 Indy 500
- 49 **Dobrab Amstrong** Giant slalom gold medalist
- 50 **Eddie Figue** Softball pitching great

## WEST VIRGINIA

- 1 **Jerry West** Lakers great as player and G.M.
- 2 **Mary Lou Retton** Gold-medal-winning gymnast
- 3 **Hack Wilson** Cub slugged record 190 RBIs in 1930
- 4 **Randy Barnes** World-record holder in shot put
- 5 **Hal Greer** Marshall star played 15 NBA seasons
- 6 **Sam Huff** Giants and Redskins All-Pro linebacker
- 7 **Low Burdick** Braves' dominant righty in 1950s
- 8 **Harold Hinkle** West Virginia hoops All-America
- 9 **Earl Wade** Played in majors, coached in NFL
- 10 **Joe Stydahar** Led Bears to three NFL titles
- 11 **Randy Moss** HS basketball star, NFL superstar
- 12 **Clair Beebe** Legendary LIU basketball coach
- 13 **Chuck Hawley** Super Bowl MVP with Cowboys
- 14 **Coat Henderson** Inventive Marshall hoops coach
- 15 **Int Rodgers** Three-sport star at West Virginia
- 16 **John Mackay** Four titles as USC football coach
- 17 **Con Wayne** Set 41 Penn State football records
- 18 **Willie Copper** Lefty won 20 games four times
- 19 **Vicki Bullock** Olympian and WNBA standout
- 20 **Frank Gotsch** Center on eight pro football champs
- 21 **Dave York** Set world pole vault mark in 1962
- 22 **John York** First baseman hit .300 for career
- 23 **Dick Hoffman** All-America tackle at Tennessee
- 24 **Mary Debnowski** Hoopster won 88 straight in HS
- 25 **George Carver** Two-way Tennessee star in 1930s
- 26 **Red Thom** NBA exec averaged 10.8 points as player
- 27 **James John** Track gold medalist, NFL receiver
- 28 **Donis Herold** Ram-tough lineman from 1975 to '87
- 29 **Bobby Colts** Virginia Tech hoops' No. 1 scorer
- 30 **Bruce Bostley** 49ers tackle in four Pro Bowls
- 31 **Marshall Goldberg** Heisman runner-up in 1938
- 32 **Rocco Gorman** 118-31-4 as HS football coach
- 33 **Kathy Frazier** Three national archery titles in 1980s
- 34 **Jason Williams** Kings' All-Rookie point guard
- 35 **Carl Lee** Vikings' three-time Pro Bowl cornerback
- 36 **Nolan Willey** Played on first Marshall bowl team
- 37 **Ross Parsons** Eight HS track titles as coach
- 38 **Frank (Peachy) Kallmeyer** Teen tennis sensation
- 39 **Mike Smith** Played on 1968 Olympic hoops team
- 40 **John Zorn** Ran football well, threw javelin better
- 41 **Bibi Campbell** 1964 U.S. Amateur golf champion
- 42 **Ed Deib** Marksman won Olympic gold in 1984
- 43 **Mike DeAmor** Hoops star at Marshall and in Italy
- 44 **J.J. House** Holds national HS passing records
- 45 **Steve Swisher** All-Star catcher with Cubs in 1976
- 46 **Ed Towler** Won 11 state amateur golf crowns
- 47 **Charles Martin** Knockout as hoopster and boxer
- 48 **Don Robinson** 109-game winner in the majors
- 49 **Anne White** Flashy tennis game, flashier outfits
- 50 **Donny Hester** Had 135 points in a HS hoops game

## WISCONSIN

- 1 **Eric Holden** Five speed skating golds in 1980
- 2 **Ernie Weaver** Scored 40 in a 1929 NFL game
- 3 **Al Simmons** Drove in 100 runs six times
- 4 **Codey Lombau** Coached Packers to six NFL titles
- 5 **Don Jansen** Set speed skating world record
- 6 **Bob Grant** NBA guard, Vikings Super Bowl coach
- 7 **Addie Jones** Career 1.89 ERA, second-best alltime
- 8 **Mik Webster** Nine Pro Bowls, four Super Bowls
- 9 **Dave Gosper** Five straight Pro Bowls, 1976 to '80
- 10 **Heleen Kapphan** World record swimmer
- 11 **Jim Don** 12 Pro Bowls as center from 1961 to '75
- 12 **Don Wayne Lukas** Trained 15 Breeders' Cup winners
- 13 **Alan Amos** Won 1954 Heisman at Wisconsin
- 14 **Jim Montgomery** Three swimming golds in 1976
- 15 **Alvin Kresch** Ran to four gold medals in 1900
- 16 **Elroy (Crazy Legs) Hirsch** Famed wideout
- 17 **Harvey Moon** Led AL in hits four times
- 18 **Dave Krieg** Threw for 38,147 yards in NFL
- 19 **Frank Parker** Four Grand Slam singles tennis titles
- 20 **Tony Kubek** Three-time All-Star shortstop
- 21 **Tony Proctor** Sharpshooting NBA guard
- 22 **Mark Johnson** Hockey All-America at Wisconsin
- 23 **Arnold Harber** Packers quarterback in the 1930s
- 24 **Archie Hahn** Sprinted to three golds in 1904
- 25 **Tuffy Looney** NFL's top rusher as rookie in 1936
- 26 **Chris Steinmetz** Turn-of-century hoops star
- 27 **Dwight Greenwood** All-USFL safety in 1983 and '84
- 28 **Kiko Kildner** Seven-time All-Star at third base
- 29 **Eddie Cochem** Father of the Forward Pass
- 30 **Larry Dawg** One of NFL's first dominant wideouts
- 31 **Suz Fawcett Hamilton** Distance-running star
- 32 **Berdigh Cernas** Spitball artist won 270 games
- 33 **Bob Peterson** Three-time wrestling All-America
- 34 **Mike Corow** Averaged 41 points as HS senior
- 35 **Rocky Bleier** 3,865 yards as Steelers back
- 36 **Lamar Sprowell** Three-time NBA All-Star
- 37 **Connie Carpenter** Olympic speed skater, cyclist
- 38 **Andy North** Golfer won two U.S. Opens
- 39 **Jim Chones** Averaged 8.3 rebounds in NBA
- 40 **Griggs Beaumont** .311 hitter in 12 years in majors
- 41 **Ed Koncinski** 2,150 hits during 15-year career
- 42 **John Peterson** Olympic gold medal wrestler
- 43 **Johnny Blood** Record-setting receiver in 1930s
- 44 **Pat Hader** Led NFL in scoring in 1947, '48 and '49
- 45 **Pat Richter** 1960s three-sport star at Wisconsin
- 46 **Bob Johnson** Coach won NAAs and Stanley Cup
- 47 **Pat Mandel** Set high jump world record in 1971
- 48 **Wayne Zahn** Won more than 20 bowling majors
- 49 **Beth Hildon** Speed skater, cyclist, Nordic skier
- 50 **Jim Gahmer** Brewers' steady infielder

## WYOMING

- 1 **Boyd Dowler** Led Packers in receiving seven times
- 2 **Lance Deal** Won Olympic silver in hammer in 1996
- 3 **John Godina** Twice world champion shot-putter
- 4 **Kenny Sauer** First true jump shooter
- 5 **Tom Browning** Threw perfect game in 1988
- 6 **Joey Hill** Durable Colts fullback in 1960s
- 7 **Jim Crawford** Led NCAA in rushing in 1956
- 8 **Richard Bakke** Tied world discus record in 1960
- 9 **Con Cowley** One of baseball's most famous voices
- 10 **Mik Devereaux** Had 107 RBIs for Orioles in 1992
- 11 **Karen Budge** Top skier in late 1960s, early '70s
- 12 **Bruce Collins** Weber State's high-scoring hoopster
- 13 **Tom Wilkinson** QB of five Grey Cup champs
- 14 **Joe Alexander** Five-time bareback rodeo champ
- 15 **Vern Goodner** All-America forward at Utah
- 16 **Low Roney** Multisport HS star, HS hoops coach
- 17 **Dwight McConnell** Wyoming's All-America wideout
- 18 **Mark Gartin** Four-time bareback riding champ
- 19 **Mik Lansing** Solid major league infielder
- 20 **Donis Haged** Two-time football All-America
- 21 **Jim Bonney** Won PGA Tour debut in 1988
- 22 **Rinto Gardner** Twice national wrestling champ
- 23 **Todd Skinner** World's top free rock climber
- 24 **Tim SBE** Ace bobsledder and snowmobiler
- 25 **Dwight Zing** 1996 Olympic wrestler
- 26 **Nick Abbott** Three-time All-WAC lineman
- 27 **Tim Harrington** Thrice state soccer player of year
- 28 **Mike Simpson** Governor was multisport star
- 29 **Shane Power** Track star at Cheyenne East High
- 30 **Mark Miller** Set two state HS swimming records
- 31 **Lamar Sabin** Cross-country skiing champ
- 32 **Steve Dadds** 16.7 ppg in Wyoming hoops career
- 33 **Dwight Edeon** Cowboys standout defensive end
- 34 **John Pugh** Wyoming hoops All-America in 1950
- 35 **Ryan Brickett** Alternate on Olympic boxing team
- 36 **Ronald Faltberg** 23-2 as senior wrestler at BYU
- 37 **Kid Bloom** Three-sport letterman at Wyoming
- 38 **Dick Ballinger** Three-time All-America wrestler
- 39 **Joe Dukes** 2.70 ERA in three big league seasons
- 40 **Don Westbrook** Nebraska and Patriots receiver
- 41 **Bob Harris** Won 12 games in majors in 1941
- 42 **Scott Freeman** QB and wideout at Wyoming
- 43 **Don Broke** NFL punter for eight seasons
- 44 **Bibi Sranigan** All-state in three sports in 1930s
- 45 **John Burroughs** Tackle spent four years in NFL
- 46 **Corey McGuffey** Stellar Northern Colorado QB
- 47 **J.L. Sperry** NAIA star lineman, now with Jets
- 48 **Larry Sandberg** National Finals Rodeo regular
- 49 **Darryl Watson** Small college track star
- 50 **Alan Griffin** Wyoming deep threat in mid-1980s



LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

CASE NO. 99-0679-CW-W-6

PAUL HEILMAN; JOHN KELLER; ROBERT LYNE, AMY PEASH, JENNY TAYLOR, and )  
STEVEN AND ANN YANKOPOULOS, INDIVIDUALLY AS NAMED PLAINTIFFS, AND ON )  
BEHALF OF ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED; AND OTHER INDIVIDUAL PLAINTIFFS, )  
PLAINTIFFS )

CLASS ACTION

VS.

PERFECTION CORPORATION, RHEEM MANUFACTURING COMPANY, )  
AMERICAN WATER HEATER COMPANY, BRADFORD WHITE CORPORATION, )  
A.O. SMITH CORPORATION, LOCHINVAR CORPORATION, and STATE INDUSTRIES, INC. )  
DEFENDANTS )

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AND HEARING THEREON**

**TO: ALL OWNERS OF WATER HEATERS CONTAINING A DIP TUBE MANUFACTURED, SUPPLIED OR SOLD  
BY PERFECTION CORPORATION BETWEEN AUGUST 1993 AND OCTOBER 1996**

**THIS NOTICE MAY AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY.**

This Notice is to inform you of a proposed Settlement of a lawsuit involving claims against the nation's major water heater manufacturers, A.O. Smith Corporation, American Water Heater Company, Bradford White Corporation, Lochinvar Corporation, Rheem Manufacturing Company, and State Industries, Inc. (the "Tank Manufacturers"). The Settlement is related to a component part for a water heater called a "dip tube." These allegedly defective dip tubes were manufactured by Perfection Corporation ("Perfection") between August 1993 and October 1996. A dip tube is a piece of polypropylene plastic tubing that delivers a flow of cold water in a water heater so that it will produce hot water. Signs of a defective dip tube include loss of hot water volume and pressure and the appearance of tiny white or gray particles in the hot water supply.

**Who Is Affected by the Settlement**

You are affected by the Settlement if you own or have owned a water heater manufactured by a Tank Manufacturer containing a dip tube manufactured by Perfection between August 1993 and October 1996.

**Terms of the Settlement**

Benefits under the Settlement are provided in two parts. Part I applies to those Class members who have incurred out-of-pocket expenses to repair or replace a defective dip tube or damaged property caused by a defective dip tube, and who have not been fully compensated. Reimbursement damages in the sum of \$175 or less are presumed reasonable, and will be paid to the Class Member. Reimbursement damages more than \$175 will be referred to the Special Circumstances Panel. The Panel will decide reimbursement on a case-by-case basis.

Part II of the Settlement applies to Class Members who have not yet incurred out-of-pocket expenses, or whose dip tube related problems have not been fully remedied. Class members under Part II are entitled to the following benefits: (1) a certificate for a dip tube replacement; and (2) associated repairs and service. These associated repairs and services include flushing of plumbing lines and cleaning of plumbing fixtures. Property damage claims in addition to a Subject Dip Tube and resulting clogged plumbing lines and fixtures and decreased hot water volume and pressure will be referred to the Special Circumstances Panel for adjudication.

The Special Circumstances Panel will be composed of certified plumbers and other qualified professionals who are experienced and knowledgeable about water heaters and attendant plumbing related damages. The Panel will be appointed by the parties, and will be approved by the Court.

Benefits under the Settlement are not limited or capped in any way. Class members may file claims under either Part I or Part II or both, as applicable.

**How and When Claims Will Be Processed**

Class members seeking reimbursement for past repairs and associated damages must file a Proof of Claim on or before June 30, 2000. Class members seeking a dip tube replacement and associated repairs have until December 31, 2000 to file their Proof of Claim.

To receive more information on the claims process and a copy of the Proof of Claim form, call the number listed below, or write to the address listed below or visit the Web site listed below. You must fill out a Proof of Claim form to receive benefits under this Settlement.

**Participation in the Settlement**

If you own or have owned a water heater covered by the Settlement, you are considered a Class Member of the Settlement. As such, you will be bound by all orders and judgments of the Court and will be barred from prosecuting any legal action relating to the Settled Claims. **If you do not wish to participate in or be bound by the Settlement, you must exclude yourself in writing as described in the Mailed Notice.** If you exclude yourself, you will not be entitled to benefits under the Settlement.

**How to Comment or Object**

If you do not exclude yourself, you may comment or object to the terms of the Settlement. The Mailed Notice describes how to submit objections. You have the right to appear at the April 21, 2000 final fairness hearing in person or through counsel, although you do not have to.

**Who Represents You**

The Court appointed Ralph K. Phalen of Independence, Missouri and Ben Barnow of Chicago, Illinois to serve as co-lead Class Counsel and appointed Class Representatives. You do not have to pay the Court appointed lawyers. Class Counsel will apply to the Court for attorneys' fees and costs of not more than \$5,650,000. This amount is separate and apart from the relief provided under the Settlement to the Class.

The Court will hold a final fairness hearing on the proposed Settlement and the fee and cost applications on April 21, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. in the courtroom of the Honorable Howard F. Sachs, Senior District Judge, at the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri, 400 East Ninth Street, Kansas City, Missouri. This hearing may be continued without further notice.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RECEIVE A MORE  
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BOX 9338, GARDEN CITY, NEW YORK 11530-9338 OR CALL:  
1 (800) 329-0561 OR LOG ON AT [www.diptubesettlement.com](http://www.diptubesettlement.com)

**PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE THE COURT OR THE COURT CLERK'S OFFICE FOR INFORMATION**

By order of the Honorable Howard F. Sachs, United States District Court



# RANKING THE STATES

HAVING DRAWN UP rosters of the top 50 sports figures from each state, we couldn't resist ranking the states themselves. Weighing the magnitude of talent at the top of each list and the depth of talent throughout each list, here's how the states stack up.

1. **California** You should see the list of athletes who *didn't* make its top 50.
2. **Texas** The state where football is king—and Babe is queen—is a formidable second.
3. **New York** And it didn't even get credit for Brooklyn-born Michael Jordan.
4. **Pennsylvania** Want a quarterback? Six of the greatest keyed the Keystone State.
5. **Alabama** This football-crazy state bred plenty of baseball legends.
6. **Louisiana** A rich source for the three biggest U.S. sports: baseball, basketball and football.
7. **North Carolina** Tobacco Road is the fertile crescent for basketball players and stock car drivers.
8. **Ohio** A powerful mix: It's home to greats in most every sport.
9. **Illinois** Land of Halas is well represented by Butkus, Grange and Nitschke.
10. **Florida** Speed rules here, from Bullet Bob Hayes to Big Daddy Garlits.
11. **Maryland** Birthplace of baseball royalty: Ruth, Ripken, Grove, Foxx and Kaline.
12. **Mississippi** An awesome NFL offense could be assembled with its stars.
13. **Oklahoma** Nothing unlucky about a state that produces both Jim Thorpe and Mickey Mantle.
14. **South Carolina** An all-around effort: Top 50 athletes hail from more than 30 hometowns.
15. **Virginia** Need an NBA center? Malone, Robinson, Sampson and Mourning grew up—way up—here.
16. **Indiana** Not surprisingly, it's glory is basketball, from the Wizard of Westwood to Larry Legend.
17. **Arkansas** A curious collection of unhallowed heavy hitters: Sonny Liston, Jerry Jones, John Daly.
18. **Kansas** A winning environment: Dean Smith and Adolph Rupp had 1,755 coaching victories.
19. **Missouri** Home to sports sages Yogi Berra, Casey Stengel and Bill Bradley.
20. **Michigan** State's best include a President (Gerald Ford) and a General (Pete Dawkins).
21. **Georgia** Talk about diversity: from terrible-tempered Ty Cobb to the gentlemanly Bobby Jones.
22. **Kentucky** The greatest horses (Man o' War, Citation) run far behind the Greatest.
23. **West Virginia** Emerging stars like Randy Moss and Jason Williams could raise its status in the next century.
24. **New Jersey** The Garden State has cultivated a bumper crop of track and field stars.
25. **Connecticut** Surprisingly fertile state edges out its more populous neighbor to the north.
26. **Massachusetts** Bay State goes into battle with boxers, hockey stars and Leo the Lip.
27. **Nebraska** A few superstars and a whole lot of Cornhuskers lead the way.
28. **Oregon** Numerous notables who performed feats of the feet include Steve Prefontaine and Dan O'Brien.
29. **Minnesota** Many on this list stayed at home to play for the Golden Gophers.
30. **Wisconsin** Fittingly, many gridiron greats populate Curley Lambeau's frozen tundra.
31. **Tennessee** A liberated list: Women are ranked first, second and fourth.
32. **Washington** Set 'em up (John Stockton, No. 1) and knock 'em down (Earl Anthony, No. 2).
33. **New Mexico** The auto racing Unsers (Al Sr., Bobby, Al Jr. and Robby) all make the top 25.
34. **Arizona** The desert delivers righthanded pitchers: Jim Palmer, Curt Schilling, John Denny.
35. **Iowa** The only state list topped by a wrestler, the fabled Dan Gable.
36. **Nevada** A duo of unique doubles: two Madduxes and a pair of boxing referees.
37. **Idaho** Unpopulous state impressive at the top: Harmon Killebrew, Jerry Kramer, Picabo Street.
38. **New Hampshire** In a land of snow, the hottest stars are a baseball player and a swimmer.
39. **Colorado** Mecca for U.S. Olympic training has turned out pioneering Olympians.
40. **Utah** List gets a big boost from a pair of homegrown BYU quarterbacks.
41. **Hawaii** More than just surfing and sumo: 12 NFL players are on the list, too.
42. **North Dakota** From the far north came a home run king and a six-time NBA champion coach.
43. **South Dakota** Billy Mills and Frank Leahy aren't only the best in the state; they're also among the best in history.
44. **Rhode Island** A prized pair of second sackers head the smallest state's list of biggies.
45. **Montana** Big Sky's best includes a cowboy, a rifleman and a daredevil.
46. **Vermont** A century of snow and ice has produced a blizzard of winter warriors.
47. **Wyoming** The top 10 of this list is heavy with guys who threw their weights around.
48. **Maine** Leading the way Down East is marathoner supreme Joan Benoit Samuelson.
49. **Alaska** Would clearly be No. 1 on list of century's alltime dog-sledding states.
50. **Delaware** It's a constitutional thing: The first state has the last list.

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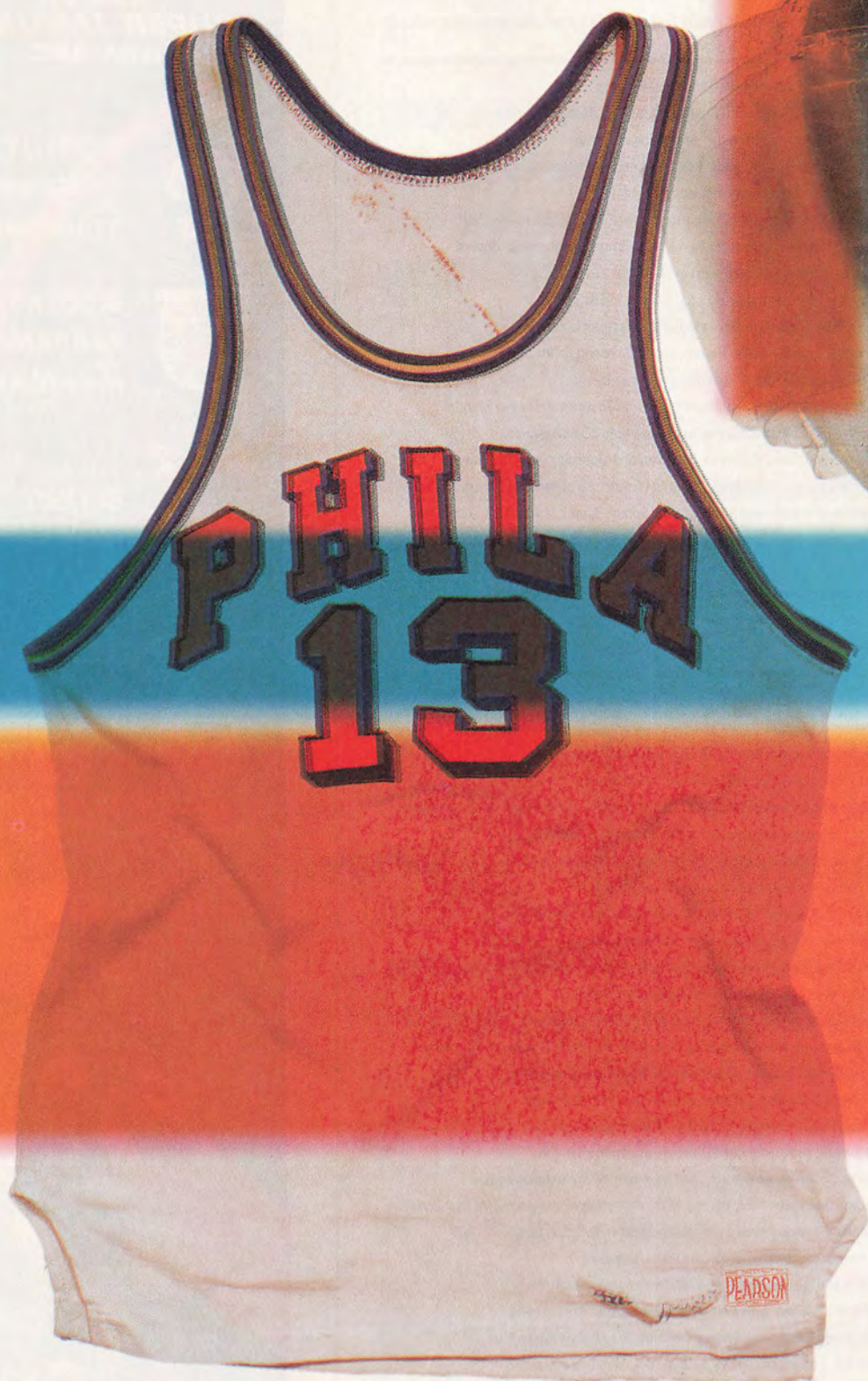
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# Our Favorite Feats

They astonished us by going where no athlete  
had gone before, boldly surmounting  
the hurdles, both literal and metaphorical

BY RICHARD HOFFER

WE NOW wind up a year of millennial list-making by looking at our favorite individual feats. Once more, you may find it impossible to guess what we were thinking (or smoking). Johnny Vander Meer's back-to-back no-hitters, but not Don Larsen's perfect game? Exasperating, isn't it? (Judging from our mail, it's been a little more than that for some of you.) Greg LeMond's comeback in the Tour de France, but not Lance Armstrong's? (Infuriating is more like it.) You've put up with a lot from us this past year, absorbing one list after another, barely able to shake off

one bit of monumental nonsense before another is delivered: Hogan's 1953 U.S. Open win, but not Tiger's triumph in the '97 Masters? (You've about had it, right?) ♣ So, at the risk of more angry letters, we feel compelled to state once again our guiding principle, and principal defense: that this business of sports is acutely personal. Surprisingly so, considering the extreme measures we have taken to give our games an aura of objectivity. We have stopwatches, tape measures, instant replays, yardage markers, punch-stats and an ever-swelling army of fanatics churning out statistics of such mathematical refinement as to render all argument futile. Yet, we still don't agree on much. ♣ Apparently sports are far more complicated than we thought. In our minds, though, Roger Bannister's four-minute mile is the kind of achievement that deserves a millennial endorsement. And you, having been ringside at the Hearn-Hagler firestorm during which nobody remembered to breathe for eight full minutes, yawn at our refinement. Neither event can ever be replicated. Nor, as we've learned over the past year, universally appreciated. ♣ But let's not argue. Let's agree that certain events—not merely athletic milestones, but also exultant displays of spirit and work and (yes) luck—have established the outer boundaries of human achievement. It doesn't get any better than this. It *won't* get any better than this. It can't. ♣ Anyway, we've got a fresh new millennium coming up, and if we can just work together a little more closely this time (and keep in mind just how personal games are), we will surely find something we can agree upon. For example—and this might be a good starting point for our 3K list—is anybody ever going to hit safely in *57 straight games*? Not in a thousand years.





**WILT CHAMBERLAIN**

Uniform worn the night he scored 100 points against the New York Knicks.

**WAYNE GRETZKY**

Puck used to score his final NHL point, which was an assist.

**SECRETARIAT**

Horseshoe worn the day he won the Belmont to complete the Triple Crown in 1973.

**RED CRANCE**

The Galloping Ghost's Illini jersey from the 1924 season.

**BEN HOGAN**

His fabled one-iron, a club he hit as well as any professional golfer ever has.

**RICHARD PETTY**

His signature cowboy hat, which he took off, albeit reluctantly, to race.







## 1 May 6, 1954 Roger Bannister

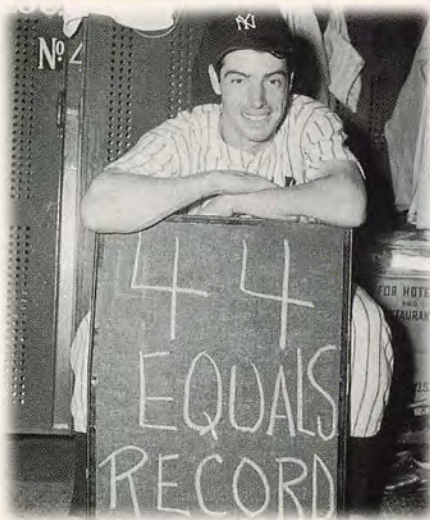
The serious-minded medical student dutifully made his morning hospital rounds in London, then took a train out to Oxford, stepped onto a cinder track and, in his first race of the year, ran the mile in 3:59.4—thereby surmounting the most glamorous athletic barrier of the century, the four-minute mile, which had eluded runners for decades.

## 1 May 29, 1953 Edmund Hillary

At least 16 men had already died trying to reach the top of Mount Everest when Edmund Hillary, a lanky New Zealand beekeeper, and Tenzing Norgay, a Buddhist Sherpa, awoke in their tent 2,000 feet below the summit and began their last laborious climb through the knee-deep snow. At 11:30 a.m. Hillary took that final step—his two feet were upon the peak, and the spirit of human endeavor soared higher than it ever had before.

## 2 May 15 to July 16, 1941 Joe DiMaggio

There have been middling assaults on Joe DiMaggio's record 56-game hitting streak in the past 58 years, but like Sisyphus's boulder, an O-fer brings all the mortals tumbling back down the mountain. Joltin' Joe's streak will probably find its way into the Dec. 30, 2999 edition of *SPORTS ILLUSTRATED*: THREE THOUSAND YEARS OF MEMORIES.



## 4 October 18, 1924 Red Grange

The Galloping Ghost scored the first four times he touched the ball against mighty Michigan: He ran back the opening kickoff 95 yards and then scored on runs of 67, 56 and 44 yards. Before the day was over, Grange would score another touchdown, complete six passes, including one for a TD, and account for more than 400 yards in the Illini's 39-14 victory. Oh, and he sat out the second quarter.



## 5 July 16, 1932 Babe Didrikson

Of all the great Babes—from Ruth to Bardot—none ever had a bigger day than the one Mildred Didrikson had at the women's AAU nationals. Entering the meet as the sole member of the Employers Casualty squad, the 5' 2", 105-pound, 18-year-old Texan won six gold medals (shot put, baseball throw, long jump, 80-meter hurdles, high jump and javelin) and broke four world records.

## 6 June 11-15, 1938 Johnny Vander Meer

Two months into his first full season in the majors, 23-year-old Johnny Vander Meer no-hit the Boston Bees. In his next start, against the Dodgers, in the first night game at Ebbetts Field, he threw another no-no. Vander Meer would be a three-time strikeout champion with an unspectacular record (119-121), but if you're looking for a record that never will be broken, consider this: His back-to-back no-hitters have never been *equaled*.

## 7 March 2, 1962 Wilt Chamberlain

Wilt had already broken Elgin Baylor's record of 71 points in a game twice that season, but on this night, playing against two over-matched Knicks centers, he was ruthless. Twenty-three points in the first quarter, 41 by the half, 69 going into the fourth quarter. He was even brilliant from the free throw line, hitting 28 of 32. A Dipper Dunk with 48 seconds left got Wilt to 100. Trivia answer: Al Attles was second high on the Warriors that night with 17 points.

## 8 1890-1911 Cy Young

Tom Seaver and Sandy Koufax? No, their combined victories total is 35 short. How about Bob Feller and Juan Marichal? Close, but still two wins away. How 'bout Greg Maddux, Tom Glavine and John Smoltz? That does it. The core of the best staff of the past quarter century has 565 career wins, a mere 54 more than Young, who won at least 25 games in 12 of his 22 seasons. For a man who lost a record 316 games, Cy Young wasn't a bad pitcher.



## 9 September 2, 1977-June 4, 1987 Edwin Moses

Edwin Moses started his 107-race winning streak in the 400-meter hurdles a year *after* he won the gold medal in that event at the 1976 Olympics. All he had to do each race was clear 10 three-foot-high barriers while running nearly as fast as a sprinter—for nine years, nine months and nine days. Most athletes' careers don't last that long.





## July 10, 1924 Paavo Nurmi

Paavo Nurmi put the Finn in finish at the Paris Olympics, winning the 1,500 meters and the 5,000 within a span of 70 minutes. With 500 meters to go in the 5,000, Nurmi sneaked a peek at the stopwatch he always carried to check his progress, then flung it into the grass and picked up the pace to set his second Olympic record that day.

## April 23, 1964 Bob Baun

Toronto defenseman Bob Baun came off the ice late in Game 6 of the Stanley Cup finals against Detroit after a Gordie Howe slap shot fractured his right ankle. He told a trainer to tape him up, then scored in overtime. Baun spent the next 48 hours ducking the team doctor, then played half the game in Toronto's 4-0 win in Game 7.

## March 8–August 4, 1945 Byron Nelson

No one has ever played perfect golf, but Byron Nelson came closest with his 11 straight PGA Tour victories. No one has ever scored so low for so long—Nelson's stroke average was 67.86 during the Streak—which he attributed to three things: better chipping, the elimination of careless shots and the desire to win enough to buy his own ranch. Lord Byron got the ranch, lost the hunger and retired the next year at age 34.

## August 28–September 4, 1972 Mark Spitz

Some countries have not won as many Olympic gold medals in their history as Spitz won in Munich. He won the 100 and 200 freestyles and the 100 and 200 butterfly and was on three winning U.S. relay teams. Who needs to walk on water when you can fly?

## July 23, 1989 Greg LeMond

The experts said the final trial was too short, the time to make up too great. But LeMond raced through Paris faster than any Tour de France cyclist ever had, and when leader Laurent Fignon crossed the finish line, LeMond had won by an unthinkable eight seconds.

## October 18, 1968 Bob Beamon

The scoreboard flashed the message that he had long-jumped 8.90 meters on his first attempt in the Olympic finals in Mexico City, but Bob Beamon had never gone metric, so he asked U.S. teammate Ralph Boston how far that was. Boston replied, "Bob, you jumped 29 feet!" (It was 29' 2½", to be exact.) When Beamon realized that he'd broken the world record by an astounding 21¾", he fell to the ground, overcome by tears and nausea, in what was later called "a cataplectic seizure" (also known as jumping for joy).



## 1979–1999 Wayne Gretzky

Wayne Gretzky ended his career with 2,857 points, 54% more than the second-best scorer in NHL history, Gordie Howe. His statistical dominance of the NHL is as reassuring as it is staggering because so much of his genius was ethereal: his vision, his timing, his singular sense of the game. The 2,857 matters because, at last, it captures the Great One in black and white.

## March 26, 1973 Bill Walton

"Our strategy is simple," John Wooden once said. "Go to [Bill] until the opposing team stops it." Nobody did in the 1973 NCAA championship game, as Walton scored 44 points on 21-of-22 field goal attempts in UCLA's 87-66 defeat of Memphis State.

## June 9, 1973 Secretariat

From the days of Sysonby in the century's first decade through the 16-race winning streak of Cigar in its last, nothing stands out like Secretariat's win in the Belmont Stakes. When he hit the wire a record 31 lengths in front, an astonishing message was on the teletimer: 2:24 flat, shattering the old mark by almost three seconds. As a measure of speed, strength and endurance, it was the performance of the century—by a horse for the ages.

## April 9–July 10, 1953 Ben Hogan

The 1949 auto accident that nearly killed Ben Hogan left him with battered legs and shoulders and an impaired left eye, but at the 1953 Masters he broke the tournament scoring record by five strokes. At brutal Oakmont he won his fourth U.S. Open by six strokes. He did not play in the PGA Championship that year because it overlapped with the British Open, where he mastered the smaller British ball, then mastered Carnoustie to win by four. Hogan played in six events in 1953 and won five of them.

## 1960–1984 Richard Petty

How towering is Petty's NASCAR record of 200 career wins? The racer in second has 105. The meteoric Jeff Gordon can catch Petty—if he maintains his current pace . . . for 16 more years.



# Pioneer miler Roger Bannister and became, at midcentury, the last great

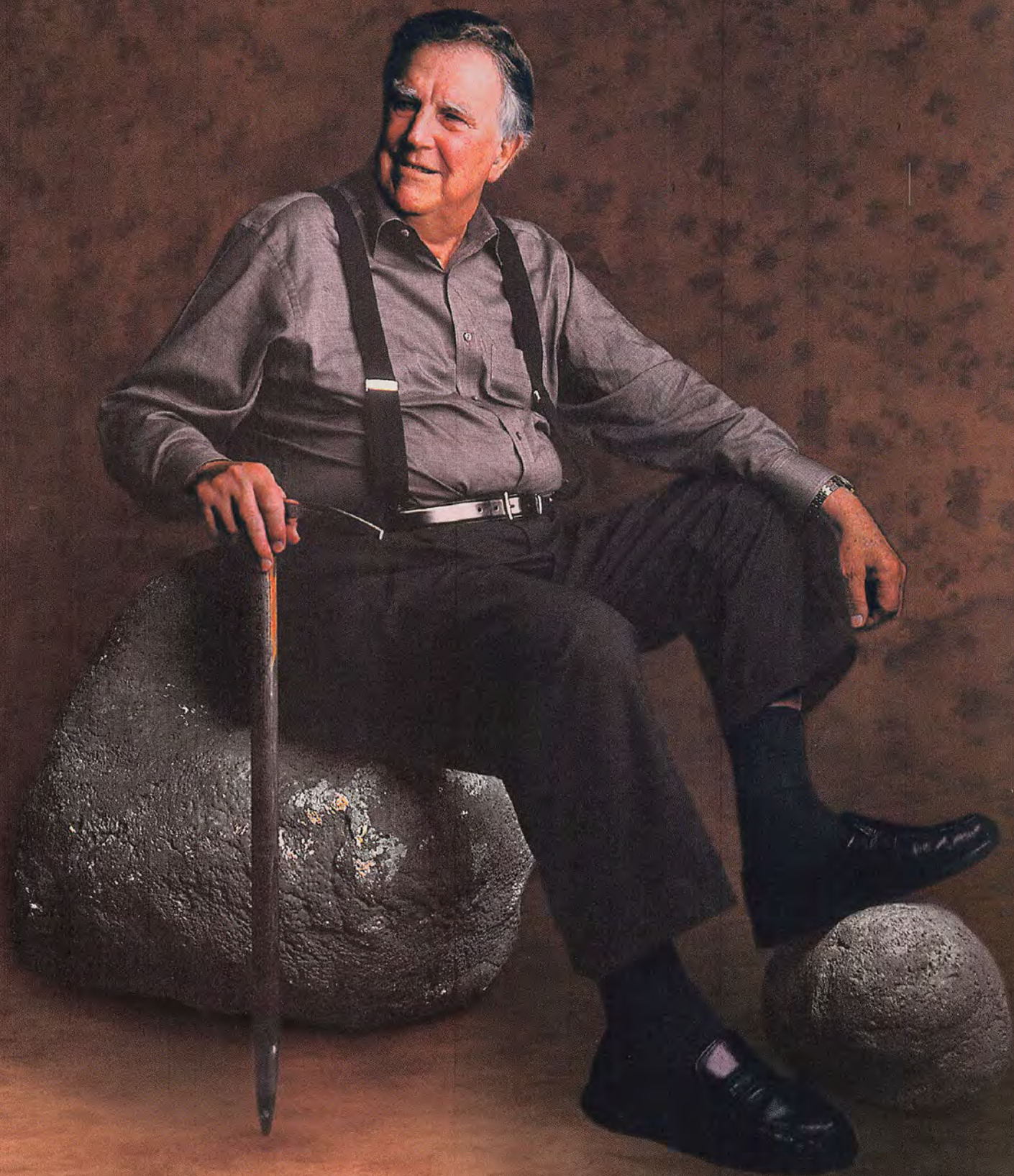
BY FRANK DEFORD



PHOTOGRAPHS BY BOB MARTIN (Left) AND BY JEFFREY LOWE (Right)



# Everest conqueror **Edmund Hillary** heroes in an era of sea change in sport









## I. A PIVOT IN TIME

Now, at the end of this 20th century, we famously celebrate America as “the world’s only superpower,” but the fact is that in the middle of the century, when much of the rest of the earth lay in ruin, we were far more the monarch of this planet. There was no such thing as a global economy then. There was only an American economy, and what embers still glowed elsewhere after World War II did so only by the sufferance of American generosity. Oh, to be sure, something

menacing lurked behind the Iron Curtain, but we, the blithe nieces and nephews of Uncle Sam, lived off the fat of the land. The U.S. in 1954 made up only 6% of the world’s population of 2.7 billion, but it owned 60% of its automobiles, 58% of its telephones and similarly vast amounts of breeziness and arrogance. For the first time, we were getting fat and happy.

A young Oxford student, Roger Bannister, visiting the States in 1949, was astonished not only by Americans’ enthusiasm but also by their sloth. “It seems quite impossible to walk in America,” he wrote in his 1955 autobiography, adding that he “acquired a reputation for madness” by occasionally requesting to go on foot rather than ride. Somewhat later, from New Zealand, came a young beekeeper named Edmund Hillary, who was even more appalled by this blessed land. Its enchantments, he admitted, offered a “constant appeal to my baser instincts,” and since Hillary perceived, correctly, that he was looking at a preview of the new global model, he concluded, “I feel a deep sadness for the future of America and the world.”

Perhaps because of the war, those who had lived through it had come to expect more of humankind; mere peaceful prosperity must have seemed selfish and tawdry. Hillary, especially, wrestled with moral dilemmas. Before he had joined the Royal New Zealand Air Force during World War II, he had been a conscientious objector. The American desire to run roughshod toward success wasn’t part of his makeup; in all his life, the only competition that Hillary has ever won was

when, as a child, he was honored for building the best snowman. Instead, he said, he was “a reader and a dreamer” who was most comfortable alone, with nature. So, one day in January 1940, “weighted down by my mental turmoil”—to fight or not to fight?—he had journeyed from his home in Auckland down to the majestic South Island of New Zealand, to the Hermitage, a lodge at the base of Mount Cook, the highest mountain in the antipodes. There, looking up at the snow and the heights, young Hillary had an epiphany: He wanted to climb. And he did. It was, simply, “the happiest day I had ever spent.”

Bannister had been too young to fight in the war, but he remembered the air-raided sirens and the deprivation. Besides, even while he grew to manhood, as the ’50s wore

excel as an avocation—and without being abnormal of dimension or temperament. Average-sized people could still play football and basketball; even the heavyweight champions weighed only 185 or so. If there was one American star most cherished at this time for representing the sturdy old values, it was Dick Kazmaier of Princeton, a slight, modest Midwesterner who won the Heisman Trophy in 1951, then chose Harvard Business School over the Chicago Bears. Yes, the debate over professionalism still simmered, the purists still firm in the diminishing belief that a man should play at games only for the joy of it. Really, the values in question were not substantively different from those that Walter Camp, the father of football, had championed back in the 19th century: “You don’t

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on, England remained grim and impoverished. No wonder that, in his visit to the States, Bannister was taken aback by the self-satisfied American athletes against whom he faced off. They were so driven, so mad for victory that, it seemed to him, the American middle distance runners had lost “freshness and sparkle,” and sport itself was being transformed “into a machine in which the athlete’s individuality was submerged.”

The mid-century was, in fact, a pivot on which sport turned, leaving men like Bannister and Hillary as something of a rear guard for the past. Some of America, though, still shared their ideal. Sport here remained an activity at which one could

want your boy ‘hired’ by anyone. If he plays . . . he plays for victory, not for money; and whatever bruises he may have in the flesh, his heart is right, and he can look you in the eye, as a gentleman should.”

The ’50s were the last gasp of that. While it is fashionable to write off that decade as an insipid time, one long pajama party, the ’50s, in sport at least, were a revolutionary age. It wasn’t just that amateurism was in retreat. Everything was changing. No major league baseball franchise had moved since 1903, and the pecking order of the most influential American sports had been set in stone for at least that long: 1) baseball, 2) college football, 3) horse racing, 4) box-

**Run down** Bannister all but collapsed from exhaustion after making history.



ing. Suddenly, National Pastime franchises were flying about the country. Pro football was rising to challenge college. Sweaty basketball became respectable. Something called NASCAR was catching on, and the popular shift to watching automobiles race—instead of horses or human beings—began. Moreover, the '50s institutionalized what Jackie Robinson had wrought in '47, as black athletes flowed into sports. Television entered the arena, then television money. This magazine—weekly and national, for goodness' sake, about sports!—was launched in August '54.

It is a cherished cultural truism of the century that rock and roll changed music in America at this time; what is usually overlooked is that while sport experienced as much of a sea change as music, it did more than just switch a beat. Sport was dramatically enlarged. And its impact was upon

challenges. Mount Everest was *there*; the mile could be anywhere. Mount Everest was the last in the geographical set that made up the goals of what had been known as the Heroic Age. The Poles had been reached, the mouth of the Nile found, the deepest oceans marked, the wildest jungles trekked. But no one had climbed the 29,000-some-odd feet of Mount Everest (29,002, it was thought then; 29,035, we have it now) to stand at the crest of the world. But neither had any human being run 5,280 feet in less than four minutes. The record had been reduced to 4:01.4, but there it had stood, unyielding, since 1945. A physical limit? A psychological hurdle? Whatever, 4:00.0 had become a symbolic figure, and the pursuit of it was essential to our mythology.

Oh, yes, it all might appear so quaint now, what with the mile record down to

out of the blue, on March 22, 1947, when Bannister was being used as a pacer for the first-team Oxford runners against Cambridge, something happened. Bannister simply did not stop; he won the mile by 20 yards in 4:30.8. "I knew from this day," he said, "that I could develop this new-found ability."

Still, however, he continued to view athletics primarily as something "fun," while his respect went to the well-rounded man. "We felt that we belonged to a tradition that was dying," he explains. "I don't mean the tradition of British privilege. In fact, I came from quite an ordinary background and attended Oxford only because I won a scholarship. No, the tradition was of running and working—and while you were studying, being part of a team."

Today, the esteemed Dr. Bannister and his wife, Moyra, have a flat in the city, to which he refers, like all English, irrespective of geography, as "up in London." The Bannisters, in retirement, reside mostly in Oxford, which is itself north—up—from London. They returned there some years ago, when he was appointed Master of Pembroke, one of his alma mater's colleges. It is a posi-

tion of honor and consequence, which he held until 1994. "It was a significant event in my life," he says, "to come back to Oxford, where I had been so very happy." Pointedly, he does not say, Where I came to fame as the first man to run the four-minute mile.

The Bannisters live barely a mile or so from the Iffley Road track, in a corner house with a perfect English garden, jammed with shrubbery and bright blooms—that familiar embroidery that lets us know precisely where we are. That assurance of place, of heritage, helps us understand why Bannister thinks back on the everyday at Oxford, rather than on his day of days.

In from the garden, though, the house is cluttered with the fine handiwork of Moyra—she paints and makes ceramic plates—played off against all manner of knockabout toys for visiting grandchildren. However, virtually no trophies are on display, inasmuch as Bannister gave them to Pembroke, including the Greek amphora that *SPORTS ILLUSTRATED* presented to

**Nepal Java** Hillary's coffee may never have tasted as good as after his Everest climb.

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everybody, not just the giddy teen nation.

In 1946 Roger Bannister had started medical school in Oxford, where, every lunch hour, he would fork over threepence so that he might practice his running in Paddington Park, near the hospital in which he worked. Ed Hillary left his brother behind to manage the family bee farm in New Zealand, sailed to Sydney, where he picked up a larger ship, and, sleeping in a six-berth cabin, sailed for weeks to England, there to join his parents and drive them about on holiday. He hoped he also might break away and tramp the Alps.

But if we could not quite see then what was happening—that sport would become more about statistics than accomplishment, more about celebrities than heroes, more about gamesmanship than sportsmanship—there were still some bits of unfinished business from the olden times. Most prominent, there were left two of what were known as "barriers" or, more dramatically, "elusive barriers." The tallest mountain in the world was still unconquered by man, and the distance of ground that measured a mile had continued to resist all efforts to traverse it, on foot, in less than four minutes.

Of course, these were two very different

Hicham El Guerrouj's 3:43.13 and with tourist buses, it seems, stopping for Nieman-Marcus box lunches at the Everest summit. But in the early '50s these two romantic quests genuinely inspired the vision of good people who had fought wars and Depression for most of this century and who held to the faith that fine, intrepid men were still about, ready to astound us with their devotion to a noble goal. We had that on the best authority. Winston Churchill, who in 1951 had been returned to 10 Downing Street, had said of his people in 1941, "We have not journeyed all this way across the centuries, across the oceans, across the mountains, across the prairies, because we are made of sugar candy."

### II. THE BUGBEAR

It had helped Bannister that he was a good sort who would go over the Magdalen Bridge to the Iffley Road track at Oxford and help shovel off the snow. This was a factor in earning him a spot on the university's third team. Certainly, he was not a prepossessing physical specimen, and in fact, for a runner, he moved with an ungainly gait, rather prefiguring Monty Python's Ministry of Silly Walks. But then,







him in 1954 as its first Sportsman of the Year. In a dark hallway, beneath some apparently incidental family pictures, at about knee level, ignored and hanging askew, is the famous photograph of Bannister breasting the tape at Iffley Road.

Just turned 70, Bannister is exactly a decade younger than Hillary. In 1975 Bannister was almost killed in a head-on automobile collision. His injuries were so terrible that he never again could run. Today, however, no traces of his accident remain evident. Neither do his eyeglasses dim his

who broke the barrier—till running ye olde four-minute mile became so commonplace that he would have needed to become a haberdasher to keep up with the demand. Still, Bannister has had to relive the memory so often that it bores him. So all of a sudden, “Can’t we talk some about afterwards?” he cries out, springing off his chair, plunging about the room.

That somewhat mirrors the feeling he had at the time of his consummate achievement. “There was delight, yes,” he says, “but also a feeling of liberation from the burden of

He had no coach. He was too involved in his studies to run as much as he should have. He hadn’t even managed a practice mile in the winter and spring of ’54. Above all, he says, “there was the matter of desperation. I was about to start my residency. I wouldn’t be able to properly prepare anymore. And I had no interest whatsoever in running badly.”

Besides, Bannister knew that John Landy, the Australian miler, might finally best the elusive barrier once he got a couple of good warmup races and some nice weather. In England, Bannister didn’t have that luxury. He decided to try for the record on May 6, in his first race of ’54, at an otherwise run-of-the-mill meet. In the meantime he went off rock climbing in Scotland. It may have been, physically, the worst thing Bannister—or anyone—could do to prepare for a race. A coach today would go berserk at the thought. But it was a different time then. There was so much good whim about in those days.

Bannister figured he needed perfect conditions if he were to have any chance to do what no man had ever done. May 6, however, turned up raw and windy, with intermittent showers. So that morning in London, as Bannister went about his usual hospital rounds at St. Mary’s, he understood that his chance was lost. Maybe this thing is impossible here, he thought.

**Only shortly before the mile was called did Bannister decide to go for it. “I felt at that moment,” he later wrote, “that it was my chance to do one thing supremely well.”**

bright blue-gray eyes, and at 6' 1½" he remains lank and animated, downright antsy. He is more comfortable sitting atop a high swivel chair, in which he often spins himself around. If not twirling, he is wont to glance away, here and there, as he talks, always in sentences so complete that one all but hears the commas. Sometimes, though, the doctor will throw himself off the chair and pace about.

Bannister is not irritated that his youthful feat follows him down through his years. For a long time, in fact, he presented commemorative neckties to those others

being expected to do it.” He might not have even competed after 1952 if he had won a medal at the Olympics that year. But he came up flat in the final of the 1,500, the metric mile, in Helsinki, and since he knew he would be practicing medicine by the time the next Olympics came around, he needed an alternative goal for the two serious years he would have left as a runner. “I regard the four-minute mile as a bugbear,” Bannister said at the time, “but it is something that has captured the public imagination—and I suppose if it has got to be done, I would rather an Englishman do it.”

### III. THE BASTARD

Jan Morris, the writer, remembers the young Hillary for “moving with an incongruous grace, rather like a giraffe,” but now, just turned 80, Hillary has grown a bit stout and jowly, shambling. The lantern jaw is not quite so pronounced, but the eyes that Yousuf Karsh, the photographer, said held “infinity in them” are yet clear. He wears a tiny hearing aid but says he’s in fine health; he is curly-haired and ruddy. Anyway, the best part of him was always what you couldn’t see: his lungs. “I’m just a big hulk, but I knew I could perform,” he says. “If there were far better-looking sorts, I was stronger and faster going uphill.”

It seems such a puny word to attach to Everest: *uphill*. But more charming still is how accidental it all was. Today the best athletes appear almost ordained. Whether or not we have lost innocence in sport, we have, for sure, lost much of the haphazard,

**On tape** Hillary left his rabbits behind in the backstretch and set his own pace to the finish.



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**At home** Everest's ridges reminded Hillary of the ones he'd climbed back in New Zealand.

boring cheese imaginable, and it sent it Home [to England] in plain wrappings for a good price. . . . It was safe . . . a place of no choice and none needed. Small, rich and complete. Bland beyond boredom. The most comfortable place in the world to grow up in."

Nevertheless, the Kiwis have always been rugged sportsmen and the most courageous companions. John Keegan, the renowned military historian and author, calls New Zealanders indisputably the finest soldiers in the world in this century. So in 1951, when Eric Shipton, the pipe-smoking English leader of an Everest expedition, had the opportunity to add a few Kiwis, he invited them—the well-regarded George Lowe and the unknown Hillary included—to join him in Nepal if they could make it there on their own. Shipton knew the New Zealanders brought specifically useful talents, because their South Island Alps offered the same challenges of snow and ice (*ace*, in Hillary's Down Under accent) as were found in the Himalayas.

But there was a new problem. Everest rises out of two nations, Tibet and Nepal, and in 1951 the Chinese Communists had taken over Tibet and closed it off. Previously, Tibet had been open as the way up, while Nepal kept out foreigners. Around this same time, Nepal started to ease its restrictions and allow foreigners to travel there. So now the task was not only to get to the bloody top but also to discover a whole new route—which would obviously be even more challenging than the one that had already proved too difficult and had, in fact, taken at least 16 lives, including that of the legendary English climber George Mallory. Hillary finally caught up to the expedition, saw Everest and thought this: a white fang, thrusting into the sky.

Shipton quickly realized what a find he had in Hillary, and it was on their reconnaissance that they spotted the glacier pass that might make a southern route possible. It was at this point too that the competitor in Hillary emerged; it was, if you will, the Americanization of Edmund. Despite himself. In his heart, he wrote in a 1955 memoir, he knew Shipton had to abandon "the deep-seated British tradition of responsibility and fair play . . . to modify the old standards of safety and justifiable risk and to meet the dangers as they

the spontaneous—and that may be the biggest deprivation. Hillary never even saw a mountain till he was 16, never ventured up one till that visit to the Hermitage; only four years before Hillary would stand at 29,035 feet, an older New Zealand climber, George Lowe, impressed by his talent, idly inquired, "Have you ever thought about going to the Himalayas, Ed?"

No, he had not.

The vision of his people was also lim-

"Eight, nine years on, we still couldn't get over the war," Bannister recalls. "Even then, if you left the country, you had only a 25-pound allowance. The last of the rationing didn't end till '54, you know."

He finds a sports analogy to describe the huge chasm between England and America. Bob Mathias, an 18-year-old California schoolboy, had won the decathlon at the 1948 London Olympics. "An 18-year-old winning the decathlon would've been in-

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ited then. At mid-century, the "pink bits" scattered about the map, which every British schoolchild knew signified the Empire, were still there on the classroom Mercators, but only in hue. It was becoming the Commonwealth now. However, a new ruler of the Empire-cum-Commonwealth would be crowned on Tuesday, June 2, 1953, and as heartbroken as the British were at the death of their admirable King George VI, young Queen Elizabeth II offered the promise of a new spirit. After all, England still struggled, so dispirited and disillusioned, all the worse as Germany and Japan—the defeated monsters—were rushing ahead and as Britain's special relative, the U.S., had become this vast duchy of luxury.

conceivable here," Bannister says. "Not only [because of] the weather, but, all the more so, because of our lack of resources." Indeed, on the very morning of the day that Bannister ran his mile, an article in *The Times* of London lamented England's athletic plight. "In spite of our own standards," the paper groaned, "we are still hard put to keep up with the advances of other countries."

Ah, but despite such melancholy, the fond links forged by the Empire remained strong. Hillary declared, "Like most of my fellow citizens, I was British first and New Zealander second." New Zealand had been an independent nation since 1947, but still, as the journalist Colin James writes of his country, "It was British and white. It made lambs and butter and some of the most



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**School ties** Bannister's fellow medical students hoisted him to celebrate his record.

they endured, confidently. "I suppose most people who find themselves in a dangerous spot pray to God," Hillary says. "But while maybe I have an arrogant view, I feel that I've gotten myself there, so it's my own responsibility."

So they pushed on together, the Kiwi and the Sherpa. At 11:30 on the morning of May 29, 1953, in the first year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II, Hillary took one last stride up a gentle rise and found himself, first ever among humankind, standing and looking down at all the world beneath him.

He and Norgay shook hands, and then Hillary took photographs of the Sherpa. "It never crossed my mind to give Tenzing the camera to take my picture," he says. "That would never happen today. But I was just a naive country boy. Why did I need a photograph? I knew I'd been there, and that was good enough for me."

When he and Norgay came back down, they ran first into Lowe. "Well," crowed Hillary gaily, with the best extemporaneous victory line ever, "we knocked the bastard off."

Back in London, the news arrived, exclusively to *The Times*, late the night of June 1, just as the Coronation Day edition was being put to bed. In those days, *The Times* still ran only "notices" on the front page. There was otherwise only the paper's logo and, under it, LONDON, with the date and, over to the right, in the largest small type that would fit, *The Times'* editors added two little words: EVEREST CLIMBED.

So, with that gift from Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay, did later that very day the Commonwealth crown its queen.

#### IV. HIP, HIP, HOORAY

On the midday train to Oxford, Bannister chanced upon Franz Stampfl. He was the coach of his teammate Chris Brasher, who, along with Chris Chataway, was going to try and keep a minute-per-quarter-mile pace for him. Despite the nasty weather, Stampfl urged him to go for it. "He made the point," Bannister recalls, "that 'if you don't take this opportunity, you may never forgive yourself.'" The thought stayed with him.

Bannister enjoyed a leisurely lunch with friends, but even when he took tea with Brasher later, he hadn't made up his mind. Only about 1,100 people were in the old wooden stands at the Iffley Road track, but

came. . . . The competitive standards of Alpine mountaineering were coming to the Himalayas, and we might as well compete or pull out." Nice guys finish last.

That expedition was a success, in Ship-ton's view, for his team had mapped a route he felt could be successfully followed to the summit, and they made plans accordingly for another trip the next year. However, when Hillary returned home, he learned that two Swiss teams had the only permits for an assault on Everest in 1952, and when he heard, incorrectly, that Raymond Lambert and the Sherpa guide Tenzing Norgay

honor even more, because he had terribly mixed emotions about his "very good friends" Tom Bourdillon and Charles Evans when they made the team's first assault. He took small comfort that Norgay, whom he admired and who was now paired with him, felt even more conflicted with jealousy as Evans and Bourdillon closed on the peak. "Tenzing was very glum," Hillary says. He pauses as Big Red, his tabby, jumps up into his lap; then he goes on, remembering clearly, "I wasn't very proud of my feelings."

As it happened, Evans and Bourdillon

**"Running was only a small part of my life," Bannister says. "I thought the ideal was: the complete man, who had a career outside of sport. That's gone out the window."**

had made the summit, he was crestfallen. For a mountaineer—all-for-one and all that—Hillary knew these jealousies were "unworthy thoughts." But the conceit of taking Everest had won out over his better British self. "Yes, we had to change the traditional attitude, accept the dangers and be prepared to take more risks than the older brigade," Hillary says. "But then, we're a bit that way in New Zealand—adventurers of sorts."

Still, on a 1953 British expedition led by John Hunt, Hillary knew he'd overstepped

had to turn back barely 300 feet below the summit. Upon returning to high camp, Evans told Hillary, "I don't think you're going to get to the top along that ridge." But, says Hillary, "I didn't take that seriously, because it reminded me of just another one of those good Alpine ridges I'd seen so often in New Zealand—demanding, yes, but climbable." So it was, to make a long story short, that at the top of the world Hillary and Norgay found a very daunting cornice and then, past that step, a . . . well, a climbable South Island-style ridge. And



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BILLS

★ 9-5, T2nd AFC East

- 19.7 ppg scored, 15.2 allowed
- 4-3 on road, 6-4 vs AFC
- Last week: W 31-21 at ARI
- Last W vs NE: 17-7, 11/28/99

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

- 7 QB Flutie 21-32 last week
- 80 WR Moulds 15.7-yd avg, 7 TD
- 85 TE Riemersma 14.8-yd avg
- 56 LB Cowart 7.3 tackles pg

PATRIOTS

★ 7-7, 4th AFC East

- 19.2 ppg scored, 19.1 allowed
- 4-2 at home, 4-6 vs AFC
- Last week: L 24-9 at PHI
- Last W vs BUF: 25-21, 11/29/98

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

- 11 QB Bledsoe 331 yds last wk
- 88 WR Glenn 81.9 ypg, 4 TD
- 80 WR Brown 105 yds last wk
- 36 S Milloy 100 tackles, 3 INT



## Jacksonville at Tennessee

Sun., Dec. 26 1 p.m. CBS

*Both are already playoff-bound, but beating the only team to beat them gives the Jags a division title as well.*

JAGUARS

★ 13-1, 1st AFC Central

- 25.6 ppg scored, 12.1 allowed
- 7-0 on road, 9-1 vs AFC
- Last week: W 24-14 at CLE
- Last W vs TEN: 27-22, 9/27/98

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

- 8 QB Brunell 275.8 ypg last 5 gms
- 28 RB Taylor 136 yds last week
- 82 WR J. Smith 97.6 ypg, 6 TD
- 90 DE Brackens 12 sacks

TITANS

★ 11-3, 2nd AFC Central

- 21.7 ppg scored, 19.6 allowed
- 7-0 at home, 8-2 vs AFC
- Last week: W 30-17 vs ATL
- Last W vs JAC: 20-19, 9/26/99

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

- 9 QB McNair 6 TD pass, 8 TD run
- 27 RB E. George 83.6 ypg, 9 TD
- 81 WR Sanders 100 yds last wk
- 90 DE Kears 13.5 sacks



## Minnesota at N.Y. Giants

Sun., Dec. 26 1 p.m. FOX

*It's do or die for the Giants against the Vikes, who are in the playoffs with a win and a Dallas or Green Bay loss.*

VIKINGS

★ 8-6, T2nd NFC Central

- 24.4 ppg scored, 21.6 allowed
- 3-4 on road, 6-4 vs NFC
- Last week: W Mon night vs GB
- Last W vs NYG: 23-22, 12/27/97

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

- 3 QB George 269.1 ypg in 7 starts
- 80 WR Carter 113 career TDs
- 84 WR Moss 16.2-yd avg, 8 TD
- 24 S Griffith 8 tackles pg, 2 INT

GIANTS

★ 7-7, T2nd NFC East

- 18.9 ppg scored, 21.3 allowed
- 4-3 at home, 5-5 vs NFC
- Last week: L 31-10 at STL
- Last W vs MIN: 15-10, 9/29/96

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

- 5 QB Collins 273 yds last week
- 81 WR Toomer 162 yds last wk
- 88 WR Hilliard 14.5-yd avg
- 98 LB Armstead 7.9 tackles pg



## Kansas City at Seattle

Sun., Dec. 26 4:05 p.m. CBS

*A Chiefs win wraps up the AFC West, but a Seahawks W ties the race and gives them a season sweep of KC.*

CHIEFS

★ 9-5, 1st AFC West

- 24.1 ppg scored, 18.4 allowed
- 3-4 on road, 7-3 vs AFC
- Last week: W 35-19 vs PIT
- Last W vs SEA: 17-6, 10/4/98

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

- 18 QB Grbac 60.3%, 17 TD
- 88 TE Gonzalez 4.7 rec pg, 10 TD
- 82 WR Alexander 15.8-yd avg
- 59 LB Edwards 7.6 tack pg, 5 INT

SEAHAWKS

★ 8-6, 2nd AFC West

- 21.9 ppg scored, 18.9 allowed
- 4-3 at home, 6-4 vs AFC
- Last week: L 36-30 (OT) at DEN
- Last W vs KC: 31-19, 11/21/99

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

- 7 QB Kitna 222.5 ypg, 21 TD
- 32 RB Watters 115 yds last wk
- 94 LB C. Brown 7.5 tackles pg
- 93 DE Daniels 8 sacks (2 last wk)



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Sun., Dec. 26 4:15 p.m. FOX

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**Picked out** Hillary and wife Louise got an Alpine Club salute at their wedding in '53.

Bannister's parents had been tipped off by a friend that "it could be worthwhile" for them to show up, so, unbeknownst to their son, they were among the small assemblage at the meet. It was Oxford versus Britain's Amateur Athletic Association. Down by the track, Bannister kept glancing up toward Iffley Road. There, on the far side of the street, flying above the steeple of St. John the Evangelist, was the flag of St. George, standing straight out in the brisk breeze.

Only shortly before the mile was called for 6:10 p.m. did Bannister note that the flag had begun to dip some, and so, just five minutes before the start, he decided

backstretch and, lengthening his stride, moved farther and farther ahead. There was no pace but his own now, no one to push him. He must race into history on his own. He seemed on target too, until he came down the stretch, when the wind rose again, slapping him crosswise, slowing him, surely, precious hundredths—tenths?—of seconds. But Bannister kept churning, hitting the tape with his one last gasp, so that, yes, that final elusive barrier of the Heroic Age had been overcome in 3:59.4 by an Englishman in the second year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II.

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that a man in England would never get anything done if he waited for good weather. He told Chataway and Brasher he'd go for it. Later, Bannister wrote a more beautiful description of what made him decide to try: "I felt at that moment that it was my chance to do one thing supremely well."

The six runners took off, the flag still drooping above St. John's, clouds but no rain, 54°, Bannister's seven-ounce spikes sinking into the damp cinders. Brasher took the lead and held it through the end of the third lap, when Chataway stepped up—primed, himself, to try for the 1,500-meter record. Chataway was on top at the bell in 3:00.5, but Bannister passed him on the

respondent" from *The Times* reported, "a general swoop on to the centre of the field. . . . Bannister was encircled and disappeared from view, but somehow the news [of the record] leaked out. There was a scene of the wildest excitement—and what miserable spectators they would have been if they had not waved their programmes, shouted, even jumped in the air." There were also three cheers for Bannister and a kiss from Mum.

#### **V. A LARGE PART OF HIS LIFE**

True to his intentions, Bannister quit competitive sport before the summer was out. He ran his last mile at the Empire Games

in Vancouver on Aug. 7. By then, John Landy had broken Bannister's record and was a 4–1 favorite. He led Bannister by 15 yards in the backstretch of the second lap too, but the Englishman came on to win in 3:58.8. It was a good finish for the new doctor and a good start for the new *SPORTS ILLUSTRATED*, which began publishing that week and made Bannister's victory its first lead story. Film of the race was on U.S. television too, watched hither and yon. If you want benchmarks, it is fair enough to say that one 20th-century era in sport ended on May 6, 1954, and another began on Aug. 7.

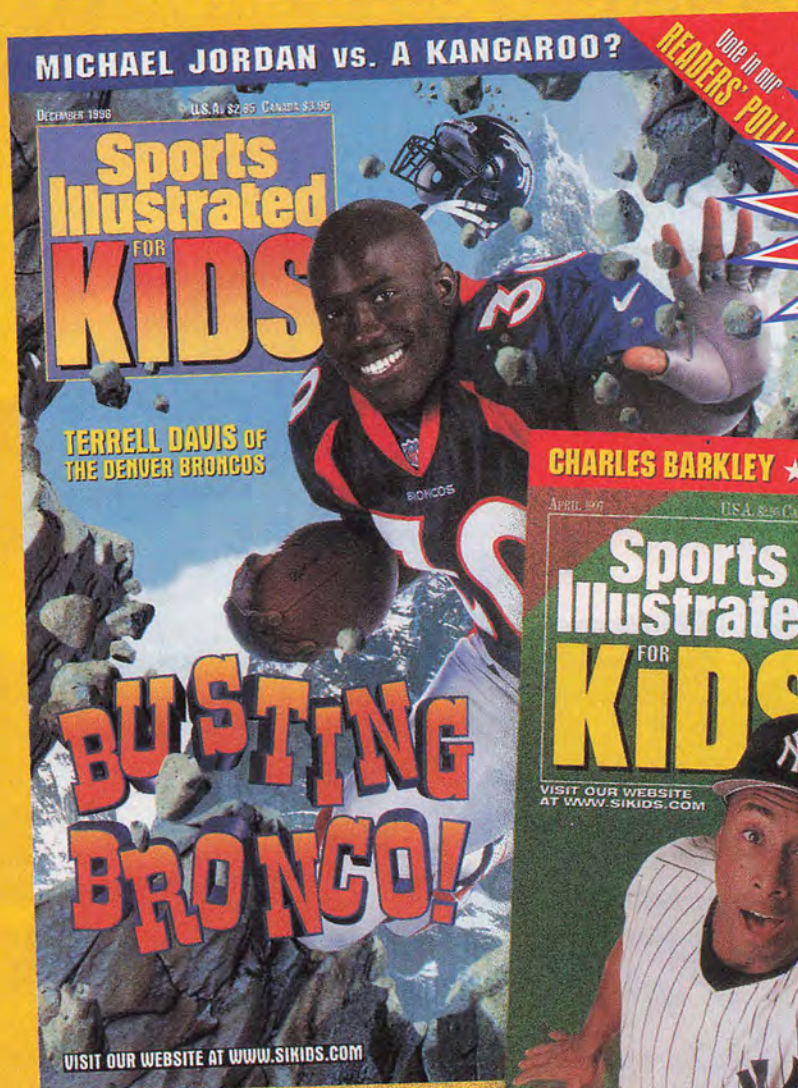
Bannister became a neurologist. Why not a neurological surgeon? "The interesting thing for me was deciding where the tumor was—rather than taking it out," he explains. Then, typical of the man, after his terrible automobile accident Bannister took the recovery time to "rethink," and he went back to medical research, setting up a laboratory to study the part of the brain that controls blood pressure.

He has accomplished much beyond medicine, too. He's a fine writer who has produced scores of newspaper pieces and medical articles and has edited textbooks. He also was chairman of the national Sports Council that reinvigorated all manner of athletics in Britain in the 1970s. Bannister, too, foresaw the drug problem in international sport; he helped design the urine tests that would catch scoundrels like Ben Johnson. In this regard, he holds no brief for the Olympic and track and field pooh-bahs. "It's only gradually that they've accepted the responsibility that they must clean things up," he says. "They're all so rich now with television money that they can afford to provide constant and eternal vigilance."

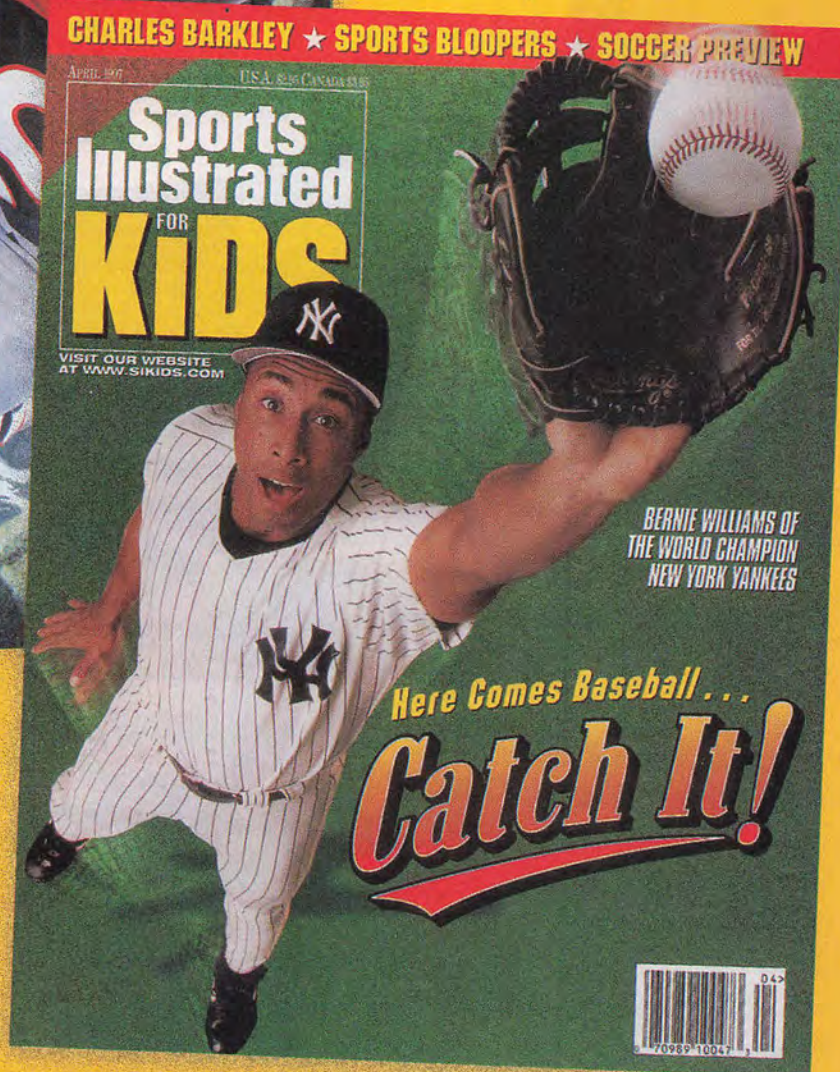
It is also important to Sir Roger Bannister that when the queen knighted him in 1975, it was not for what a young student did one day in one May but for a man's whole measure of work. "Running was only a small part of my life," he says. "Even now, my friends and colleagues just accept the fact that in my life, I happened to do this one thing." Broke the four-minute mile? "Well, broke the four-minute mile as a student. I thought the ideal, if you like, was: the complete man, who had a career



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outside of sport. Obviously, that's gone out the window."

Nevertheless, he has mellowed in his attitude about the U.S. Perhaps that was inevitable. He studied neurology at Harvard in the 1960s, and three of his four children married Americans. "I had an absorbing passion about athletics, and I was very idealistic when I first came to America," Bannister says. "I have, unfortunately, had to modify some of my views. But America was

tragedy. In Katmandu, the gateway to Everest, a small plane took off and, stupidly, someone had neglected to free the ailerons. It crashed just after takeoff, killing Hillary's wife, Louise, and their youngest daughter, Belinda. "It took me several years to recover," he says, although, even now, a quarter century on, when he talks of it he must steady himself to keep from crying. "I had always thought that I would be the one to come to grief," he goes on, "but never once—

widow, June, had known each other for two decades. After a while they moved in together, and eventually they married. They live today—along with the old tabby Big Red—in Auckland in the same house where Hillary raised his family with his first wife.

All you really must know about Sir Edmund Hillary is that while his face is on his country's five-dollar bill, his name is still in the Auckland phone book. Talking with him in his home seems a bit like chatting with George Washington at Mount Vernon.

The house is in Remuera, an affluent if not ostentatious suburb. You go down a hill to reach it, but it boasts a glorious vista, looking toward the harbor where the sleek America's Cup boats sail out to race. One huge tree soars over the house—a Himalayan deodar, a gift from Louise Hillary's father. Maybe that is proper. Symbolically, you see, something of Everest always rises above Edmund Hillary.

The reason that Hillary's wife and daughter were flying out of Katmandu when their plane went down was that Hillary returned there regularly. As Sir Roger would devote some of his later years to the sport that had brought him eminence, so has Sir Edmund dedicated much of his life to helping the indigent Sherpa people. Even now, Hillary goes back to Nepal every year, spending several other weeks in Europe and the U.S. to raise the funds to build hospitals and bridges and airfields and schools in the Himalayas.

Yet the irony that he has

given so much love to helping Tenzing Norgay's land is heightened by the fact that when the two men came down off the bastard, Norgay's people let Hillary know they despised him. "Everyone in the crowd was pouring out hate toward me," he wrote in 1955. This was because those indigenous folk had lived in the lee of the mountain that they had called Chomolungma for eons before the British identified it as Peak 15 and then, in 1865, named it after Sir George Everest, a surveyor general of India. The Sherpas believed that Buddhist

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responsible for the running revolution, when the middle class became conscious of health. That caused a monumental change in attitude."

England, too, has the vision and the wherewithal. When Bannister ran on the cinders of the Iffley Road track, green meadows were everywhere, over Magdalen Bridge, behind the poplars. Now, instead, the track is synthetic, and all around are artificial-turf fields and tennis courts. They rather resemble the facilities at a state university in, say, Ohio. The students hurry by, largely unaware that history was made here, rushing to their teams or their physical-education classes, looking, all of them, so very American, with jeans and backpacks and baseball caps. It is funny. When the century started, the sun didn't set on the British Empire, but now America is the sun and the moon that rise and fall everywhere upon this earth.

Off Iffley, down Jackdaw Lane, is Bannister Close, barely a block long. The only other recognition of his feat is a small plaque, hardly noticeable, set in the new concrete grandstand, declaring that, yes, ON THIS TRACK . . . and so forth. Up and across the way, St. John the Evangelist still rises, and on the steeple on a bright English afternoon the flag snaps in the breeze, then suddenly goes limp, as it did that day 45 years ago, when a young man found that he could do one thing supremely well.

### VI. GETTING TO THE BOTTOM

In the symmetry of life Hillary, like Bannister, endured days as horrid as his earlier moments had been splendid. Another day that same awful year as Bannister's near-fatal car accident, Hillary suffered a far worse



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**Brain man** Bannister became a respected neurologist.

never for a moment—did I think it would be my wife or one of my children."

Not long after that crash, Hillary was supposed to accompany a group of tourists on a flyover of the Antarctic. He could not go, so his good friend Peter Mulgrew went in his stead. "Peter was a great battler," Hillary says. "He lost his feet in the Himalayas from frostbite, so he took up yachting, and even with his artificial limbs, he became a competitive yachtsman." Mulgrew's plane flew flush into a mountain.

The widower Hillary and Mulgrew's



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## Bannister and Hillary

gods resided up there, in the clouds, and they did not want to accept that the first human afoot there had not been one of their own.

To Hillary the issue was meaningless. "I led all the way," he says, "but believe me, to us, to mountaineers, who's first is not important. We were a team. Who sets foot first bears no relationship to who makes the greatest contribution."

It was another example of Hillary's innocence that he would assume that no one—in Nepal or anywhere else—would be curious about primacy. But then, he also was astonished when the queen knighted him, and it did not trouble him that whenever he and other members of the expedition spoke about the conquest, his fee—a minuscule £25—was the same as theirs.

decade, Hillary decided to set the record straight. "Finally, I just got a gutsful of it," he says. "I got tired of people saying that Tenzing had gotten to the top first."

That Hillary is such a munificent benefactor of Nepal mutes the issue. By now, the mountain people had learned that he was, if not a Sherpa himself, one of them in spirit who had first stood with their gods. "The Sherpas always impressed me with one element of their belief," Hillary says, "which is that you must choose your own path." As if on cue, Big Red jumps off his master's lap and strides away disdainfully, as cats do. Hillary goes on: "They don't preach at you if you choose a path that they wouldn't. No matter how strongly they may feel, they're unlikely to express judgment. The Hindu priests always wel-



**Moneyed** Hillary is not only in New Zealanders' hearts but also in their pockets.

"We thought all this reaction would quickly fade," he says. "I really didn't expect that the public would care much."

In any event, even before they came off the mountain, John Hunt, the expedition leader, met with Hillary and Norgay, and they agreed that they would say that somehow the two men had arrived at the top simultaneously. As soon as the expedition reached civilization, though, it found trouble. "In Nepal it became very important to believe that Tenzing was first," Hillary says. "That was proof that an Asian was as good as a Westerner. Norgay was quite frightened, actually, because politically he found himself in a very difficult situation."

The two men kept to the story, although in Norgay's final memoir, shortly before his death in 1986, he acknowledged that he'd been a couple of steps behind. That book didn't receive much attention in the West, so at last, as he entered his ninth

decade, I adopted the attitude that anybody who wants to bless me—well, I'm quite willing to accept their blessing."

It is, perhaps, harder for Hillary to accept all the secular worship that has come his way. "I do not take it seriously," he says. "I have a wife who looks after me—bosses me around. I have both my children here in Auckland, my grandchildren. If someone wants to believe I'm a heroic figure, fine, but for me, I did a reasonable job at the time. I didn't get carried away then, and I never have."

He has—like Bannister—grown more forgiving of the U.S. and how it has helped shape the world in its image. "There is still too much hatred in the world—everywhere," he says, "and even though there's more awareness of what we're doing to the environment, it's still a shame what we are doing. We have a long way to go."

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For years he kept up what he calls the "adventurous life"—most prominently leading a major expedition to Antarctica—but it still amazes him that Everest yet excites our imagination so. "Yes, of course there are challenges left," he says. "There was this Norwegian, for instance, a nice young man—skied across Antarctica, and believe me, that's quite a feat. He's been forgotten very quickly, though, whereas the Everest climb seems destined always to be re-

and end, now, says Craig Masback, CEO of USA Track & Field, who is himself a sub-four-minute miler, "The appeal of shorter events has increased in a society that operates in short bursts." Three minutes and 43 seconds is too long nowadays?

There is hope. Over time Bannister expects the mile record to drop to where we will have the elusive 3½-minute barrier to excite us. "The critical factor now," he says, "is racial selection—in the best possible

to the darker peoples of Africa. Perhaps in this greater universality the mile will enjoy renewed popularity after the turn of the millennium. Someday, maybe even some boy from the U.S. will risk the effort and give us one thing in sport that not even Glenn Cunningham or Jim Ryun was able to give America in the American Century—the champion miler supreme. "It's so simple, really," Bannister says with a sigh. "You just run."

If not, well, a miss is as good as 1,500 meters. But what Bannister did on his day in May, no less than what Hillary had achieved 12 months before, can never be diminished by the history that followed. For the 20th century, these two modest men will

always best represent the sportsman—the Anyman—who is bold enough to seize the main chance and make good on an improbable challenge. *To do one thing supremely well.*

Alas, though the queen yet lives and the U.S. still rules the roost, the world now is probably too technological and too packaged to allow anymore for much of that independent panache. Too bad. Not even victory can ever be as precious as venturing into a time or a place that has previously denied our intrusion. "Even if I hadn't climbed Everest," Hillary says with complete assurance, "still, I know I would've lived an adventurous life."

But will anyone be able to say that about a 21st-century life? Ironically, the new wonders we create in laboratories serve only to reduce the majesty of the natural

world, so that the past's adventurer becomes the present's tourist; yesterday's milestones, today's "highlights."

But what Hillary and Bannister pioneered is forever secure in the history—and the legend, too—of our whole time and place. This is especially true because both of the men who achieved these feats when they were young went on to live examined lives, full of generosity and curiosity, so that what they became serves even more to ennoble what they did once, for us all, so many springtimes ago. □

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membered." He sighs in exasperation.

Sadly, the deaths of the inexperienced amateur climbers and their guides described in Jon Krakauer's book *Into Thin Air* has only heightened interest in Everest. Then, last May, the discovery of George Mallory's body, 75 years after he and his colleague, Andrew Irvine, disappeared into the mists, has only enhanced the peak's romance and mystique. Hillary minces no words on these subjects. Even before the ill-fated *Into Thin Air* expeditions, he had argued that it was disgraceful to let wealthy "no-hopers" pay for dangerous vanity trips up the mountain. He is even angrier—"horrified"—that genuine mountaineers took money for their unsparing photographs of Mallory's frozen bones. "He should have been left to lie in peace," Hillary says.

Yet he expresses equanimity in evaluating the possibility—which most experts think remote—that Mallory and Irvine made it to the top first. "For 45 years," Hillary says, "I've been regarded as the hero of Everest, so I really couldn't be upset now if it was someone else's turn." Then, wryly: "You know, to mountaineers, it's one thing getting to the top, but another getting back to the bottom. I'll settle for that."

## VII. PRECIOUS NEW TIMES AND PLACES

Who would ever have guessed, back in the '50s, that come the millennium, interest in the mountain would far exceed that in the mile? But even though the mile was once so glamorous, today, in a metric world, it is linearly incorrect and only occasionally run. Besides, whereas once the mile was valued as a beautifully strategic race, downright theatrical, with a beginning, middle



**Snapped** Only Tenzing was photographed at the summit.

way. If you have runners from Kenya or Morocco, whose line traces back there for thousands of years, then you are going to have runners who can deal better with oxygen deprivation—and ultimately, that determines speed."

It is, perhaps, poetic justice that just as the Asian Everest has become primarily the white man's challenge—even the rich white man's hazardous playground—the eternal mile, which was so long the property of Northern European stock (Bannister's own line is French, the Norman Banistre), now belongs

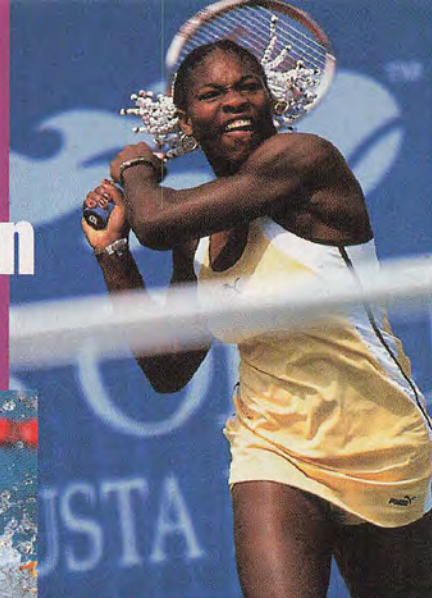
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# Inside



THE W N S P O R T S

## **Crossed up**

The Flyers' John LeClair (10) and the Maple Leafs' Bryan Berard tangle for the puck in a 4-2 Philadelphia win.

Photograph by Lou Capozzola





Brad Werenka (5) and Co. have been good skates in Brooks's more wide-open offense.

cluding Alexei Kovalev and Martin Straka, the Penguins suit Brooks's style. While Constantine emphasized discipline and defensive responsibility and restricted players from roaming, Brooks encourages them to bolt to the puck and gamble in ways that, according to defenseman Darius Kasparaitis, "get our emotions going."

Until the poor start this year Constantine had been successful in two seasons as Pittsburgh's coach, and last year he guided the financially bankrupt Penguins to a 38-30-14 record and a first-round playoff upset of the Devils. Pittsburgh was subsequently rescued from insolvency in September by Mario Lemieux. Now, though his regime has barely begun, Brooks is already dreaming of something that had been unthinkable since the days when Lemieux was sharpening his skates instead of his pencils. "Can we win the Stanley Cup?" says Brooks. "Sure we can. I believe that."

That shouldn't come as a surprise. As we know, Brooks believes in miracles.

## Trevor Kidd Injury

## Don't Dump SuperSkills

After Panthers goalie Trevor Kidd dislocated his right shoulder making a save during Florida's SuperSkills competition on Dec. 13, several teammates grumbled that taking part in the NHL-mandated exhibition was a needless risk. The Panthers were understandably shocked to learn that Kidd, who was 13-4-2 with a league-best .930 save percentage, will be

# Herbal Therapy

New coach Herb Brooks is giving Pittsburgh a revitalizing treatment

BY KOSTYA KENNEDY

IF YOU'D closed your eyes toward the end of the Penguins' practice last Friday, you would have heard a noise that sounded like the distant churning of ocean waters. When you opened your eyes, however, you wouldn't have found a conch shell at your ear. Instead you would have seen a sea of Penguins swooshing en masse around the rink. The long sprints came at the end of a 75-minute practice, yet the players skated hard, and when they finished, they were smiling. "Herbie has us skating all the time, all over the ice, in practice and in games," says forward Robert

Lang. "There's much more movement than there used to be. That's fun for us."

Herbie is Herb Brooks, who will be forever remembered as the coach of the gold-medal-winning 1980 U.S. Olympic team. His latest venture behind the bench began on Dec. 9 when, at age 62 and 6½ years removed from his last NHL coaching job, he replaced the fired Kevin Constantine as Pittsburgh's coach. Brooks, who went 190-198-61 over six seasons guiding the Rangers, the North Stars and the Devils in the '80s and early '90s, had been a Penguins scout. Gen-

eral manager Craig Patrick gave him the coaching reins to breathe life into a club that was in danger of falling out of the playoff picture and had grown weary of Constantine's rigid, highly analytical methods.

At week's end Pittsburgh had gone 4-1 under Brooks while averaging nearly four goals a game, about a goal more than it was scoring under Constantine. With a record of 12-15-3-4 the team was back in contention for a post-season spot. "I want speed and creativity," says Brooks. "I want to give this game to the players so we can be an exciting club."

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Since the Canadiens traded the 31-year-old to Philadelphia last March, he has been buzzing on his wing. With 40 points (13 goals and 27 assists), the 5' 10", 185-pounder was a major reason the Flyers were tied for the top spot in the Eastern Conference.

**The Verdict:** A good center is hard to find, but speedy Recchi is more dynamic, which is why he gets the nod.

sidelined for at least two months.

SuperSkills, however, is an excellent event that's also endorsed by the NHL Players' Association, and the NHL is right to make it compulsory for all teams. The competition showcases shooting and skating talents for fans who might not be able to afford a ticket to a game. The Panthers' event, which was attended by about 5,000 people, was free; when a club charges an entry fee, the proceeds go to charity. The exhibition is no more risky than practices and less hazardous than preseason games. Though Kidd's injury was unfortunate, SuperSkills is a good idea for increasing the league's visibility.

### Islanders' Young Goalie

## Taking the Luongo Way

The Islanders' 20-year-old phenom goaltender, Roberto Luongo,

made his NHL debut on the night of Nov. 28, but the most telling event of that day occurred several hours before he made 43 saves in a 2-1 victory over the Bruins. Coach Butch Goring had informed Luongo of his impending start in the lobby of the team's hotel that afternoon. Goring had waited to deliver the news because, he says, "I didn't want Roberto to be nervous for too long." Nervous? Luongo smiled at Goring's good tidings, went to his room to phone his family and then drifted into peaceful sleep. How's that for a wide-eyed rookie?

At week's end Luongo was 2-3-1 for hapless New York (7-18-5-0), but it was more his unflappable manner than his strong play that led the Islanders to trade veteran goalie Felix Potvin and a draft pick to the Canucks on Sunday for right wing Bill Muckalt, center Dave Scatchard and goalie Kevin



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DON'T BE surprised if Oilers general manager **Glen Sather** ends up running the Rangers next season in place of **Neil Smith**. **Wayne Gretzky**, who retired from New York last April, has the ear of Rangers majority owner **Charles Dolan**, and the Great One is a staunch supporter of Sather, who coached him in Edmonton. Sather has had difficulty working with the Oilers' unwieldy new 37-man ownership group, while the Rangers were only 12-15-4-2 through Sunday despite having spent nearly \$70 million on free agents last summer. . . . The **Minnesota Wild**, which enters the NHL next season, has already sold 13,500 season tickets and leased all 64 luxury suites at the New St. Paul Arena. The Wild isn't just marketing itself in the Twin Cities but also in North and South Dakota, northern Iowa, Wisconsin and Manitoba. . . . The best defenseman in the NHL this season? The Blues' **Chris Pronger**, who has continued to be dominant at stopping the opposition and

## IN THE CREASE

BY PIERRE MCGUIRE

has also picked up his offensive game (four goals and 19 assists in 32 games). . . . With hard-hitting defenseman **Derian Hatcher** sidelined six to eight weeks with a lacerated right calf, the Stars may try to acquire the Devils' physical backliner **Lyle Odelein**, who can be a free agent in July and is on the block. . . . If the widespread perception that there are many more injuries than usual in the NHL is true, then the league may want to consider its **grueling schedule**. This week, for example, the Red Wings were to play back-to-back games in Anaheim and San Jose on Sunday and Monday, and then fly cross-country to Carolina to play on Wednesday. Three games in four nights in three cities is too much. . . . Why isn't **Bernie Federko** in the NHL Hall of Fame? In 14 seasons with the Blues and the Red Wings, Federko had 1,130 regular-season points and 101 more in the postseason. There are players enshrined in the hall whose production can't come close to matching that.

Weekes. With the deal, Luongo, who says "this is the best league in the world, and I believe I belong here," became not only the Islanders' goalie of the future but also the present.

Until last month New York had hoped to keep Luongo, whom scouts regard as the best

goalie prospect in the game, in the American Hockey League this year so that he could gain experience and develop his puck-handling skills. Then a season-ending shoulder injury to Islanders backup netminder Wade Flaherty necessitated Luongo's call-up. "That changed

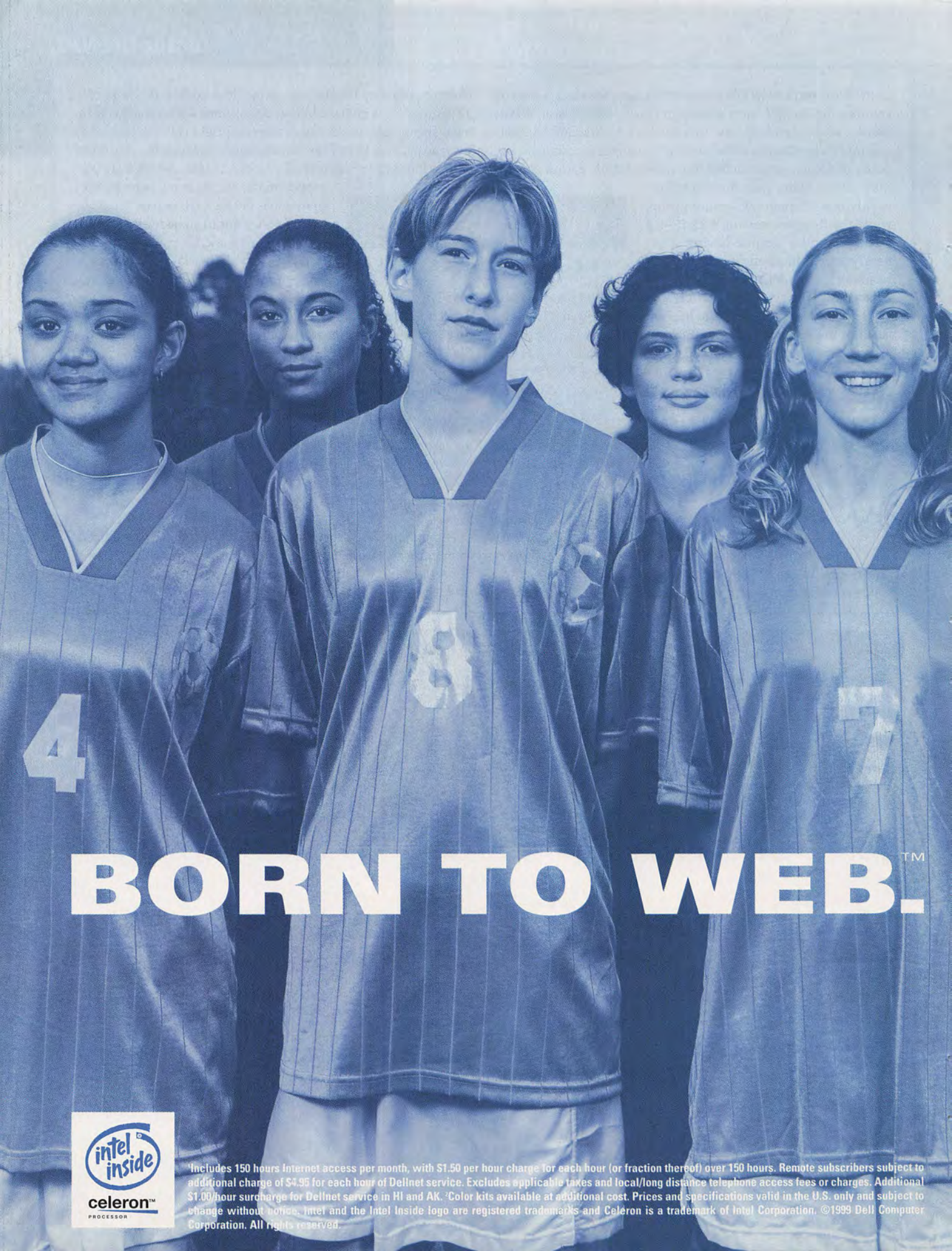
things pretty quickly," says general manager Mike Milbury. "We had to bring in Roberto, and once he was here, he had to play."

The Islanders had been reluctant to summon Luongo because the team is bad and the front office feared the rookie's

confidence could be harmed. Yet as he split time with Potvin in the weeks before Sunday's trade, the precocious Luongo kept his poise even after tough defeats. "That's what made us rethink things," says Milbury. "When it comes to composure, he's not your average 20-year-old." □







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# Inside The NBA



Coaching required so much of Ainge's energy that he had little left for his wife and six children.

a woman he met in Charlotte, with the civil trial and lurid details of Shinn's liaison airing for two weeks on Court TV. (A jury in Columbia, S.C., ruled in Shinn's favor.)

"I know some people don't believe this, especially if they don't know me," Ainge says. "They think I'm the whiny guy who complained to the refs all the time."

In truth Ainge is a devout Mormon who says he has never taken a drink and who, during his championship years with the Celtics, used to stay at the team hotel reading scriptures while some of his teammates were out looking for action. He tried, both as a player and a coach, to be a positive moral influence. "The single hardest thing in coaching for me was dedicating so much of my time trying to set an example for a great work ethic and character, and the players' not caring enough," Ainge says. "But that's not why I quit."

His obsession with coaching, which led to extensive film sessions, late-night meetings and hours and hours of reading psychology books in hopes of better understanding his players, left him little time or energy for his family. All summer he contemplated resigning. The Suns started this season 13-7, but Ainge was frustrated by his team's lack of chemistry, and there were rumblings that the front office was unhappy. Were those factors in his resignation? Ainge says they were merely "little pebbles you put on the scale."

His kids' reaction confirmed his decision. "Right after I told them, my daughter Taylor said, 'Does this mean you can finally

## Eyes Wide Open

Why did Danny Ainge leave the Suns? He took a hard look at his life

BY JACKIE MACMULLAN

HERE'S SOME free advice for those of you hell-bent on unearthing the real reason Danny Ainge abruptly resigned as coach of the Suns on Dec. 13: Get a life!

That's what Ainge did when he left the consuming world of coaching to spend more time with his wife, Michelle, and their six children, ages four to 20. Since his announcement, which shocked everyone—Michelle included—rumors have been flying. There

was an Internet report that Ainge's successor, Scott Skiles, had plotted a takeover. Wrong. There was speculation in Phoenix and Utah that Ainge quit the NBA to coach his son Austin at BYU, where he will be a freshman next fall. Wrong again. A Phoenix TV station received an anonymous phone call in which it was claimed that Ainge left because he was tangled up in a torrid affair with a dancer. "What a joke!" says Timberwolves vice

president of basketball operations Kevin McHale. "Nobody has stronger morals than Danny. People are just sick."

But then, the NBA's image has been so tarnished lately that it's easy to imagine that intrigue or sleaze played a role in Ainge's choice. One day there's a report that the Knicks were entertained by strippers from Atlanta while the team was attending a minicamp in Charleston, S.C., before the '97 playoffs. The next, Hornets owner George Shinn is being sued for sexual assault by



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come on daddy-daughter camp-outs?" Ainge says. "My son Tanner said, 'Can you come to our basketball tournament in Las Vegas?' I heard, 'You know, Dad, you have been kind of distant.' I said to myself, Oh, my gosh. Why did it take so long for me to realize this?"

Some have called Ainge a quitter. That's preposterous. He chose his flesh and blood over a basketball and a chalkboard. How could anyone see that as giving up on what really matters? "Listen, I'm no hero," Ainge says. "I know there are plenty of homes that have two working parents with no other options. I'm very, very lucky I can do this."

The morning after Ainge resigned, he drove four-year-old Crew to and from preschool, helped 12-year-old Taylor with her homework and then saw Tanner, 16, and Austin, 18, play hoops with six-year-old Cooper at his side. Watching the Skilled Suns beat the Pistons that night was gut-wrenching, but no one said his decision was an easy one. It was just the right one.

## Polynice and the Jazz

### So Far, It's Golden for Olden

Last summer, when center Olden Polynice was a free agent, he sized up the possibility of joining the Jazz. "When I was young, nobody wanted to play in Utah," says the 35-year-old Polynice. "They didn't like the strong Mormon influence or that Salt Lake closed up before 1 a.m. I used to listen to all that. Now that I'm older, I just want to play for a team that is professional."

Polynice, who had been talking with the Lakers, let Karl Malone know he was interested.



Polynice has given Utah a lift in the middle.

Since Polynice had been branded a malcontent in his last two stops, with the Sonics and the Kings, he was pleased when Utah responded by offering him a two-year deal. His union with the conservative Jazz and its coach, Jerry Sloan, raised more than a few eyebrows.

Sure enough, in late November, when Sloan noticed Polynice bossing around a couple of young teammates in practice, he blasted him. That night Polynice, near tears, called his agent, Dwight Manley, and said, "I don't know if I can play for this guy. He hates me."

While Manley talked to Utah management to explain how Sloan's approach was affecting his client, Polynice fretted. He had already clashed with Sonics coach Paul Westphal and Kings coach Eddie Jordan. "I'm still angry about [the past two seasons] because I felt like it gave me a

bad rap," Polynice says.

But Sloan never cared about Polynice's past. He has put him in the starting lineup, ahead of Greg Ostertag. "Olden's still adjusting to our team," Sloan says, "but he's done everything we've asked." During a seven-game winning streak (which the Pacers snapped last Friday) Polynice provided opportune offense and 2.4 blocks a game. "Olden's made a big difference," Malone says. "Now Greg knows if he wants to play, he better come ready because we've got someone else who can do it. It's been a win-win for both guys. Olden gets minutes, and Greg doesn't have to deal with the pressure of starting and hearing all the negative stuff if he doesn't perform."

Polynice is starting to feel as if he fits in. Two weeks ago Sloan walked up to him and said, "Olden, can you stop

putting that towel over your head? When you do that, you remind me of Latrell Sprewell, and I don't want anyone to ever associate anything in this organization with Sprewell."

Polynice happily obliged, then called Manley the next morning. "He likes me!" Polynice said.

## A Not-So-Fine Line

### Unartistic Artest

Bulls forward Ron Artest, Dec. 18 versus the Magic: 41 minutes, 0-of-13 FG, 7-of-8 FT, 7 points, 9 rebounds, 4 assists. It's getting harder to find the silver lining in Chicago; in rookie Artest's case, hey, at least he got to the line. □

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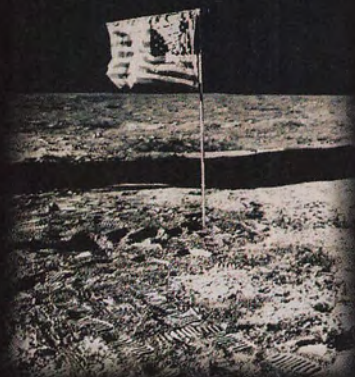
# Around The Rim

AGENT **Bill Duffy** confirmed late last week that his biggest client, 7' 6" center **Yao Ming** of China, will play this April at the Nike Hoop Summit, a showcase for top high school seniors and international prospects 20 and under. Ming flirted with declaring himself eligible for the draft last season and is considered one of the most tantalizing young big men in the world. The 19-year-old Ming will let his performance at the Summit in Indianapolis dictate whether he will come out in June. . . . Asia is forming a Super League this summer with entries from China, Hong Kong, Japan and the Philippines. Each team will be allowed up to two foreigners. . . . League sources say **Michael Jordan** has not abandoned plans to purchase an NBA club nor has he given up on buying a piece of the Wizards. . . . Timberwolves vice president of basketball operations **Kevin McHale**, responding to those who point out that his club doesn't draw many fouls, says, "Getting to the line is a mind-set, not just a matter of muscle. But I will say this: We've lost some of our swagger." . . . Last Friday's win over the Bulls marked the first time that 76ers coach **Larry Brown** had all his starters from last season available. Until then, he had gone with 14 lineups in 24 games. . . . Contrary to reports, **Kobe Bryant** did not become the first active player to own part of a pro basketball team when he bought 50% of Olimpia Milano of the Italian League. **Luc Longley**, the Suns' Australian center, has been co-owner of the Perth Wildcats since August.





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## Better Late...

Doug Flutie, ahead of his time in '89, finally fits an NFL mold

BY PETER KING

YOU'D THINK Doug Flutie would be on top of the world. Ten years after being run out of the NFL by teams who thought he was, at 5' 10", too short to play quarterback, Flutie's on the verge of taking the Bills to the playoffs for the second year in a row. Yet he still can't shake the heart-break of his earlier rejection.

Understand that Flutie loves the Bills. He's grateful that the organization gave him an opportunity in 1998, when nobody else in the NFL would, and after that eye-opening season had enough faith in him to offer a four-year, \$22-million contract extension, which included a \$6 million signing bonus. But Flutie, who starred for eight seasons in the Canadian Football League, can't stop harking back to his earlier trip through the NFL, when he appeared in 21 games over four seasons for the Bears and the Patriots.

"When I left for Canada after the '89 season, I had no discipline. I couldn't stay in the pocket. I was a poor quarterback," Flutie says with a smirk. "Today, I'm exciting. I'm instinctive. I make plays. I'm a winner. What a bunch of b.s. You want to know what the difference is now? It's more acceptable to be me. Steve Young, Mark Brunell, Brett Favre—they made teams see how successful a mobile, instinctive

quarterback could be. In the NFL, first you have to prove you can do it their way, then you can regain your identity."

Flash back to '89. The NFL's model quarterback was 6' 4", 215 pounds, a tough guy who didn't stray from the pocket. The top-rated passers that year—Boomer Esiason, Jim Everett, Warren Moon, Mark Rypien, Jim Kelly, Bobby Hebert, Bernie Kosar and Phil Simms—almost all fit that mold; only Joe Montana and Don Majkowski were mobile types. Flutie ran only 69 times in those four seasons. As his NFL career was ending in New England, he felt a noose tightening around his neck.

He remembers calling an audible, changing a play from a run to a pass and hooking up for a touchdown with wideout Irving Fryar. "I got reamed out for changing the play, even though we scored," Flutie says. "I was trying so hard to read defenses and stay with the play and stay in the pocket. I was trying to please the coaches. At the end they had no faith in me to throw. Once we had a third-and-five, and a quarterback draw was called. The defense lined up eight across to stop us, so I called time. I went to the sideline and told the coaches the play would never work. They told me to run it anyway. I did, and I came up just

short of the first down. When I went to Canada, the freedom I got from coaches made football fun again."

Bobby Grier, the Patriots' vice president of player personnel, was the team's running backs coach in '89. He admits the coaching staff had little faith in Flutie's arm. "But Doug back then was the player he is now," Grier says. "What's happened is the game has changed. The defensive fronts, the [ascension of] quickness over size, puts a premium on the quarterback's escapability. He probably had to go to Canada just to wait for the game to change."

Flutie won two Grey Cups and six MVP awards in Canada. Just as important, the experience

## Flutie's No Fluke

IN A 31-21 win over Arizona on Sunday, Doug Flutie made his 24th regular-season start since returning to the NFL. At week's end his .667 winning percentage ranked third among quarterbacks since the beginning of the 1998 season (minimum 20 starts).

PLAYER TEAM	WIN %	YARDS PER GAME*	TD PASSES	INT
1. <b>Mark Brunell, Jaguars</b>	.852 (23-4)	220.4	34	17
2. <b>Randall Cunningham, Vikings</b>	.750 (15-5)	266.4	41	19
3. <b>Doug Flutie, Bills</b>	.667 (16-8)	247.8	35	26
4. <b>Chris Chandler, Falcons</b>	.652 (15-8)	215.7	36	22
5. <b>Brett Favre, Packers</b>	.621 (18-11)	267.9	50	41

\*Passing and rushing yards







## Woes of an Expansion Team

### Browns Have Holes Aplenty

It was true at the beginning of the expansion Browns' inaugural season, and it remains true as the end of it approaches: You don't win games in the NFL without playmakers at the key positions.

There are eight vital positions on an NFL team: quarterback, running back, left tackle and two wideouts on offense; all-around end, pass-rushing specialist and shutdown cornerback on defense. With all of owner Al Lerner's millions Cleveland filled only two of those spots this season—and in both cases the players were rookies: quarterback Tim Couch and wide receiver Kevin Johnson.

The Browns thought they had filled the left tackle hole when they signed free agent Lomas Brown, but he'll be 37 in March and is too rickety to be counted on. They thought they had picked up good cover corners in free agents Corey Fuller and Ryan McNeil, but opponents have completed a league-high 63% of their throws against Cleveland. What's more, the pass rush is anemic (only 25 sacks in 15 games), and the team ranks last in the NFL in rushing (67.3 yards a game).

"On Dec. 27th a new season will start in our organization, a season of great expectations," Browns president Carmen Policy said on Sunday before a 24-14 loss to the Jaguars dropped his team to 2-13. "We will begin to judge ourselves not just on progress made, which was the yardstick of our first year, but also by wins and losses."

Look for Cleveland to concentrate on three players in free agency (assuming they haven't already re-signed with their current team or been slapped with a franchise-player designation): Cardinals defensive end Simeon Rice, who might be difficult for Arizona to squeeze under its salary cap; Jaguars running back James

north of the border made Flutie unflappable. "When you're in Saskatchewan, like I was in 1992, and you have to score three touchdowns to win in the final 2½ minutes and you do it, nothing here scares you," he says. "God knows how many two-minute drills I ran there with the game on the line and the crowd screaming. Those years helped make me what I am."

Last season he was 11th in the NFL in quarterback rating, and though he has slipped to 24th this year, he is the league's eighth most

productive quarterback when you combine passing and rushing yards. More important, among quarterbacks Flutie is third in winning percentage since the start of the 1998 season (*chart, left*).

He hasn't put up the numbers he did a year ago because defenses are using a spy more effectively and sticking with downfield receivers longer. But even though he's completing only 55% of his passes, his feet make him as dangerous a quarterback—running and passing—as the game has.

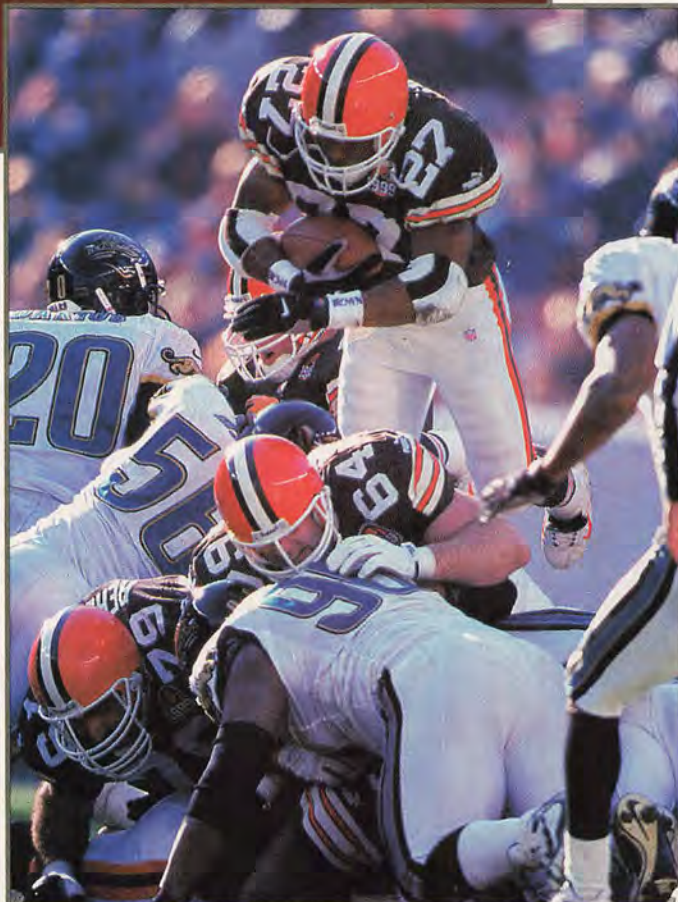
As for the future, the 37-year-

Though his passer rating is down, Flutie has almost doubled his rushing total of last year.

old Flutie knows that if he doesn't play better down the stretch, he'll face a training-camp battle next summer from high-priced backup Rob Johnson. Flutie could see himself finishing his career in the CFL. "If I could ever play with my brother Darren [a receiver for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats], I'd love to," he says. "It's not very practical because of the money, but I'd love to do it. Who knows?"

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Stewart, who has run for 889 yards this season while subbing for an injured Fred Taylor; and Patriots wideout Shawn Jefferson, a favorite of coach Chris Palmer's when he was an assistant in New England.

Cleveland's draft strategy will hinge on what the team accomplishes in free agency. Even if they land Rice, the Browns—who will probably have the first or second pick—would be wise to heed the advice on a banner that hung behind the north end zone at Sunday's game: COURTNEY

Karim Abdul-Jabbar (27) and the Browns have gained an NFL-low 67.3 yards a game on the ground.

**BROWN OR TRADE DOWN.** Brown, of Penn State, is one of the best all-around defensive ends to come out of college football in the '90s, and a Rice-Brown pairing would make the defense respectable and help cover the deficiencies in the secondary.

One player who gives Cleveland hope is Couch. "He's shown more mobility than we thought," Palmer says, "and his toughness

far surpasses anything we'd expected. His vision of the field and mastery of the game are excellent." His 56% completion rate is good, considering that he has been sacked 56 times, the last of which resulted in a sprained left ankle on Sunday. He's not as savvy and polished as the Colts' Peyton Manning is, but Couch has shown that he has the tools to be one of the NFL's best quarterbacks.

But these are still desperate days in Cleveland. When Policy and club vice president Dwight Clark boarded Lerner's private jet after a disheartening loss in San Diego on Dec. 5, they were looking for a shoulder to cry on. "You have to understand," Lerner told them. "This is the first year. What did you expect? The time to judge this year is not this year. It's the end of next year."

### Good News, Denver

## 2000 Schedule Favors Broncos

The NFL hands a holiday bonus to some of its worst teams. It's called the fifth-place schedule. Two teams that are in position to cash in next year are the Broncos and the Jets, last season's AFC Championship Game participants who, through Sunday, were in last place in their divisions.

Denver may gain more for finishing in the cellar. Next season AFC West teams will play interconference games against the so-so NFC West, while the AFC East matches up against the loaded NFC Central. The Broncos are

looking at home games against the Browns, Falcons, 49ers and Jets; they'll face the Rams and the Saints on the road and will almost certainly visit Cincinnati.

Even during a 5-9 season, the Broncos haven't been your garden-variety loser. They've dropped five games by a field goal or less. They're ranked seventh in the league in defense, 12th in offense. The outlook is even brighter when you consider that Terrell Davis, who underwent reconstructive surgery after injuring his right knee on Oct. 3, was running hard in mid-December, a month earlier than anyone thought possible. "By April's minicamp I should be ready to go full speed," says Davis.

Coach Mike Shanahan says Brian Griese will be his starting quarterback entering 2000, and he may try to coax Jeff Hostetler out of retirement to be one of his backups. Shanahan is cautiously optimistic about the schedule. "Sometimes," he says, "that can really help you out."

### Dispatches

## A February Super Bowl?

The Super Bowl may soon be heading toward a permanent February date. Here's why: The networks don't like starting the season on the ratings-poor Labor Day weekend and want to continue with a 16-game, 17-week regular season (retaining that additional week of revenue); the owners want to keep the open

**1. Despicable Act** "This is society," Browns coach Chris Palmer sighed after Cleveland tackle Orlando Brown knocked down referee Jeff Triplett for inadvertently hitting him in the eye with his BB-weighted penalty flag on Sunday. "I said recently, 'Someday a coach is going to get shot. I hope it's not me.'"

**2. Millennium Man** Privately, the 49ers now acknowledge that concussion-ravaged Steve Young will probably find a doctor who will clear him to play next season. One high-ranking member of the organization goes so far as to say that Young will probably take San Francisco's first snap on opening day 2000.

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**3. Coach in Waiting** If you don't think Jets defensive mastermind Bill Belichick will be on the short list of teams shopping for a coach in the off-season, just look at how AFC East quarterbacks have fared of late against his unit. The Colts' Peyton Manning had his two lowest-rated games of 1999 against the Jets. The Bills' Doug Flutie says New York's defense is the toughest he faces. The Patriots' Drew Bledsoe is 1-4 in his last five games against the Jets. The Dolphins' Dan Marino has a 51.9 rating in his last three games against New York. So what if Belichick needs a Dale Carnegie course. He's the smartest assistant in the league. Period.



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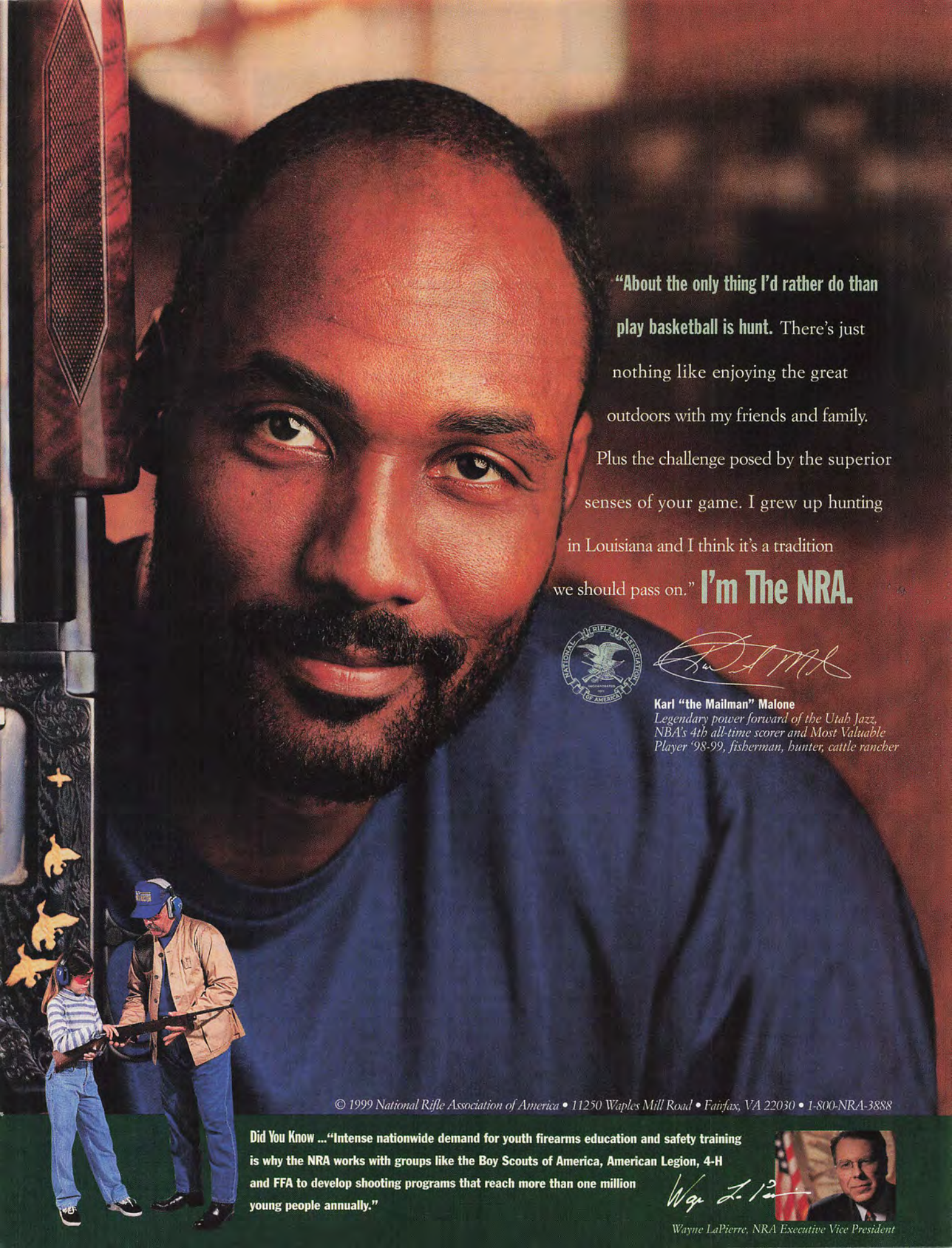
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date between the conference championship games and the Super Bowl. Owners will discuss their options in March at the league's annual meeting. In May they're expected to pick a site (probably Houston) for the 2004 Super Bowl, which will probably be the first title game played in February. . . . So much for talk of Bears players dissing rookie quarterback Cade McNown. "I'm starting to love this guy," center Olin Kreutz told tackle James (Big Cat) Williams in the midst of Chicago's 28-10 win over the Lions on Sunday. McNown completed 27 of 36 passes for 301 yards and four touchdowns. . . . After a disastrous season that led to his benching at quarterback and shift to wide receiver, the Steelers' Kordell Stewart should sound humble right about now. Inexplicably, he sounds just the opposite when he talks about next year. "The question is, which [position] is it that I want to play. Me. No one else. Me. And it's quarterback," Stewart says. "I don't want this situation to have to come about again. Plain and simple. I don't plan on going back in at wide receiver at all. No way, shape, size or form." . . . Don Shula was 37-25 in his last 62 regular-season games as coach of the Dolphins. By virtue of Miami's 12-9 win over the Chargers on Sunday, Jimmy Johnson is 36-26.

## The End Zone

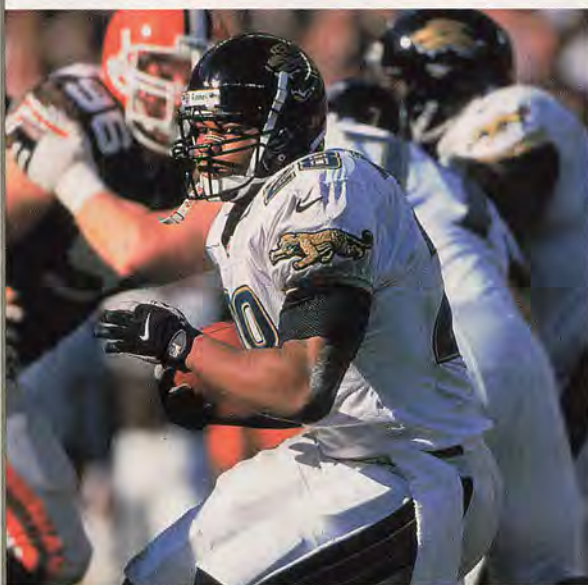
### Vegetable Of the Week

Steelers tackle Shar Pourdanesh, who had to block Chiefs line-backer Derrick Thomas last Saturday, compared the sackmaster to a stalk of asparagus. "He's tall and skinny," Pourdanesh said. "You have to be gentle with him. You can't just go out there and try to kill him. You have to kind of pick at him a little bit, then bite his head off." Thomas had four tackles and a sack in a 35-19 Kansas City win. □

THIRTEEN OF the 15 games this week have play-off implications. I could handicap every one of them for you, but let's be sporting about this. How could I keep a straight face and pad the record with puppies? *Flash! Dr. Z picks Dallas over New Orleans, Indy over Cleveland.*

Sure, this is the year of upsets, and who would have figured on Philadelphia and Chicago knocking off playoff contenders New England and Detroit, respectively, and convincingly, too? But let's keep this in perspective. We'll start with the more gripping games and see where that leads.

Jacksonville (13-1) at Tennessee (11-3) looked good on paper a few weeks ago, and the records certainly are fancy, but both teams have already



A healthy Taylor will help carry the Jaguars over the Titans.

clinched postseason spots, and now they're competing for playoff position. Coaches stress the importance of playing for home-field advantage in the playoffs, but that's never as powerful a motivating force as the old urgency formula: If you win it, you're in it. The Titans would love to beat the Jaguars a second time, but Tennessee's not stupid. The Titans know a division title is a long shot, hinging on Cincinnati's knocking off the Jaguars in Jacksonville on Jan. 2. So a little of the edge is off this one. For the Jaguars, who now have the swift legs of Fred Taylor to carry them, it's a revenge kind of thing. Call it a **Jacksonville** victory in a low-scoring affair.

Kansas City (9-5) at Seattle (8-6) is my favorite game on the schedule. The Seahawks are reeling after four straight defeats. But if they beat the Chiefs, they'll have a leg up on the division

## Dr. Z's FORECAST

title because of their sweep of K.C. The Chiefs play far worse on the road than they do in that Arrowhead madhouse. Look what happened to the poor Steelers last Saturday. They came with a neat little

game plan and moved the ball smartly, but after they fell behind and the crowd noise kicked in and the false-start penalties (six of them, plus one delay of game) started mounting, catch-up was almost impossible. The Chiefs can proudly point to the 30 false starts and six delays that opponents have been flagged for in their house, and it was inspiring to see coach Gunther Cunningham on the sideline last Saturday, exhorting the crowd to keep up the volume.

Surprisingly enough, the Chiefs have fared pretty well in the Kingdom, winning three in a row before losing last year. Denver hammered what looks like a worn-down Seattle defense for 260 yards on the ground, and it doesn't take a genius to figure out that K.C. will try to do the same. So why do I like the **Seahawks**? Call it a hunch.

The Buccaneers are also bleeding after the Raiders whipped them 45-0 on Sunday. Shaun King came down off the clouds, but the biggest embarrassment was the defense, so expect it to be stoked for Green Bay at home. Yes, I like the **Bucs**.

The **Jets**, who are going nowhere, will pull off a road upset over playoff hopeful Miami. The Dolphins seem to be tiring. Plus, they can't run the ball. Washington's league-leading rusher, Stephen Davis, is out with a sprained left ankle, which means Brad Johnson will throw for close to 400 yards in a

**Redskins** win in San Francisco.

The **Lions** stay in the thick of the NFC Central race with a win over the Broncos. The **Cardinals** have enough defense to get by the Falcons in Atlanta, but the Vikings, hoping for easy pickings in New York, will get upset by the **Giants**. The Patriots have beaten Buffalo four straight times in Foxboro, but they won't make it five. The **Bills** win it on the ground. The **Panthers**, with the NFL's hottest quarterback in Steve Beuerlein, run up the score on the Steelers, and the **Raiders**, a team given to breathtaking highs and lows, struggle but squeeze one out in San Diego.

—Paul Zimmerman

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# 'Twas the Fight before Christmas



BY RICK REILLY

YOU CAN TAKE all your Tiny Tims and your Grinches and your Miracles on Whatever Street and stuff them in your stocking. The best Christmas story is about a boxer.

It starts the day in 1918 when a doctor tells a slender heavyweight named Billy Miske that his bum kidneys give him five years to live, if he's lucky. Turns out he's dying of Bright's disease. This comes as rotten news to Billy, who's only 24 years old and not half bad in the ring. He's good enough to fight guys like future light heavyweight champ Harry Greb twice to 10-round draws, which is sort of like tying with a twister. Still, the doc says if Billy's smart, he'll find a comfortable couch and retire right now.

Problem is, almost nobody but Billy knows he's up to his ears in debt, being \$100,000 in the hole because the car distributorship he operates in St. Paul doesn't distribute near enough cars. Billy's weakness as a salesman is that he's too trusting. He keeps counting on his friends to pay up, and mostly they don't. So Billy keeps the kidney news to himself and decides to continue fighting and paying what he owes. In fact, Billy fights 30 more times after the doc's death sentence, including bust-ups with guys like Tommy Gibbons, who was knocked out only one time in his career, and three dances with Jack Dempsey, once for the title in 1920.

Dempsey hits people only slightly harder than a bus, and in that title bout he belts Billy once so flush in the heart that Billy goes down for a nine count. In those nine seconds a purple welt the size of a baseball pops up on Billy's chest, scaring Dempsey half to death. But then Billy himself pops up, wanting more. Dempsey knocks him clean out less than a minute later, this time with an anvil to the jaw, as Dempsey is trying to get the fight over before one of them faints, maybe Dempsey. "I was afraid I'd killed him," Dempsey says afterward, but Billy's kidneys are doing a good job of that all by themselves.

By the fall of 1923, Billy is dying fast. He looks like a broom-

stick on a diet. He's too weak to work out, much less prizefight. The only thing thinner than Billy's arms is his wallet. He hasn't had a bout since January, which is trouble, because Christmas is coming up hard.

Well, Billy isn't about to face his wife, Marie, and their three young kids, Billy Jr., Douglas and Donna, tapped out for his last Christmas, so he goes to his longtime manager, Jack Reddy, and asks him for one last fight. Reddy says no chance. "I don't like to say this," Reddy tells him, "but if you went in the ring now, in your condition, you might get killed."

"What's the difference?" Billy answers. "It's better than waiting for it in a rocking chair."

Reddy chews on that for a while and comes up with a proposition: "Do one thing for me. Go to the gym, start working out, and let's see if you can get into some kind of condition. Then we'll talk."

Billy says no can do. He says there's no way he can work out. He says he's got one last fight in him, and maybe not even that. A softie, Reddy arranges a Nov. 7 bout in Omaha against a brawler named Bill Brennan, who went 12 rounds with Dempsey and is still meaner than 10 miles in brand-new shoes.

True to his word, Billy doesn't get any nearer the gym than his aspirin bottle. He stays in hiding, slurping bowls of chicken soup and boiled fish, and rarely making it out of bed. But he turns up in Omaha on the appointed night, survives four rounds with Brennan and cashes a check for \$2,400.

That check buys the best Christmas the Miskes ever have. The kids come flying downstairs in the morning to a Christmas tree, a toy train, a baby-grand piano and presents stacked higher than they can reach. They eat like Rockefellers and sing like angels and laugh all day. Do you know, the only smile bigger in Minneapolis that day than the ones on the faces of those three Miske kids is on Billy's mug.

The next morning Billy calls Reddy and whispers, "Come and get me, Jack. I'm dying." Reddy rushes Billy to St. Mary's Hospital, but the doctors can't do a thing. On New Year's Day 1924, Billy, 29, dies of kidney failure.

That's it, really. Except that if you ever pass through Omaha and run into an old-timer, ask him about the prizefight that day, the one that gave Billy Miske the finish he wanted, the one he won in four rounds, over Bill Brennan, by a knockout.

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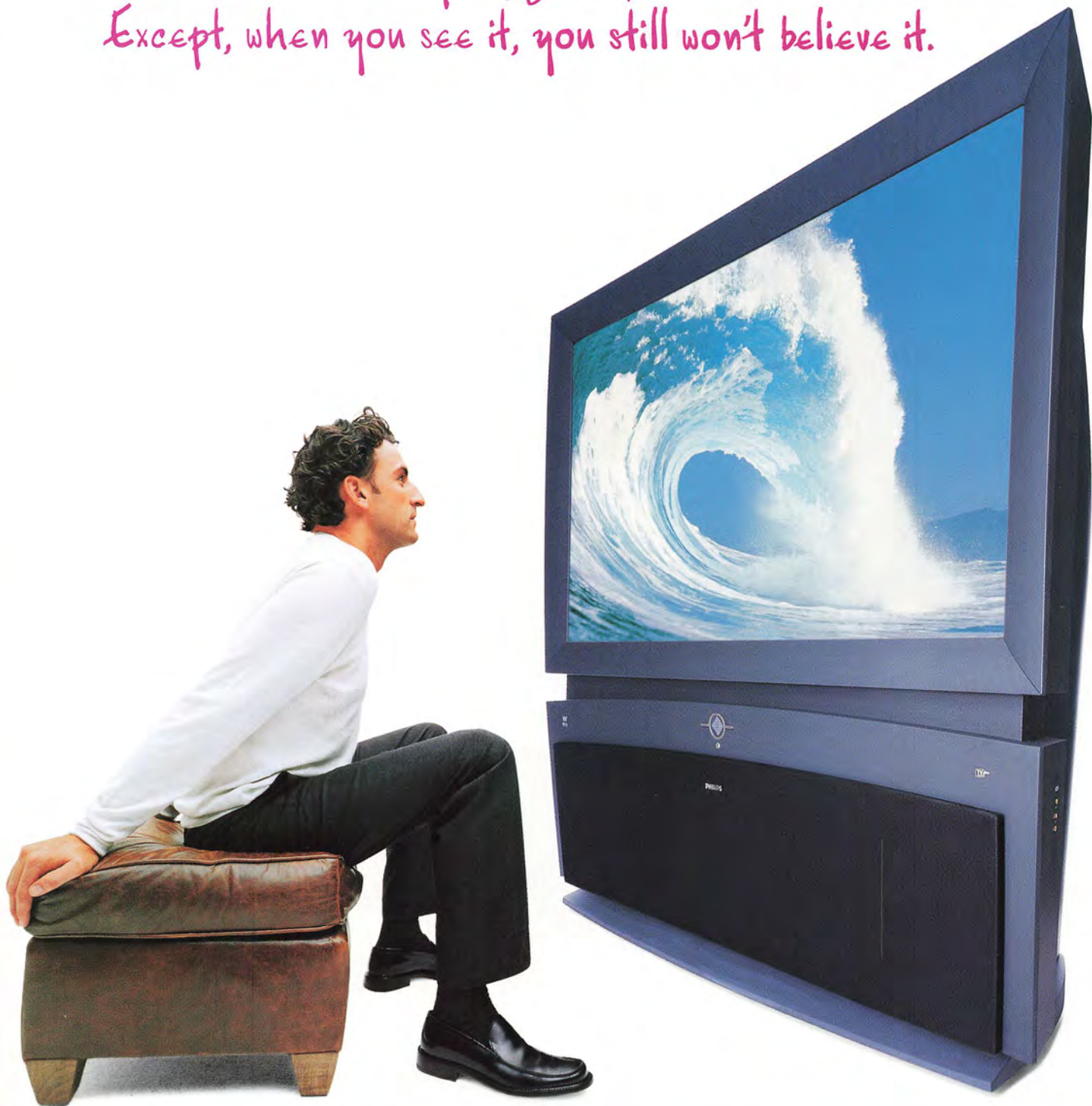
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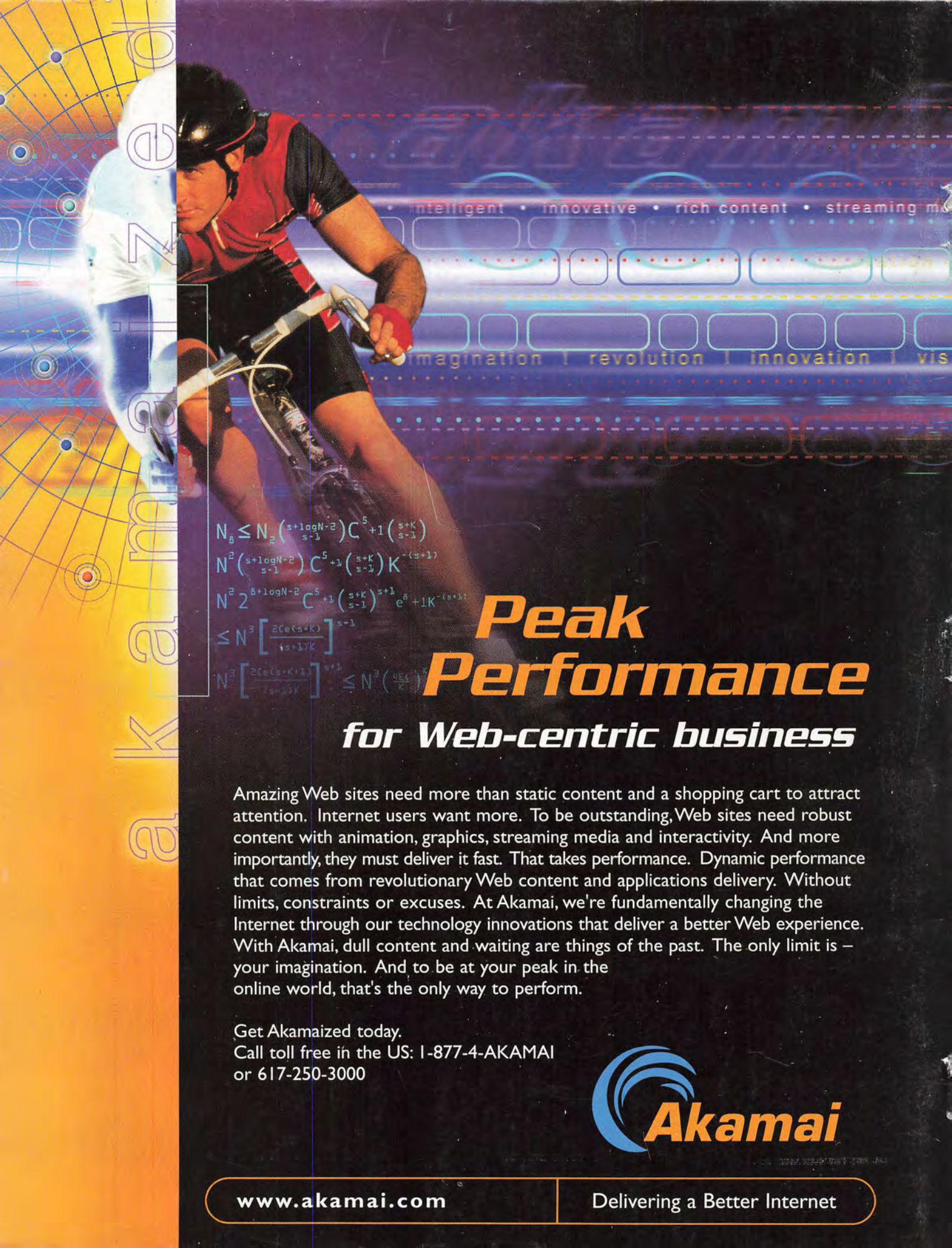
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